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Marion Projects Receive Federal, State Aid

By Mick Colageo

The Town of Marion hopes it is turning a fiscal corner after Representative William Straus presented its delegates with a $250,000 check on April 2, part of a $2 million commitment from the state to assist on debt payment associated with the rehabilitation of the Wastewater Treatment Plant lagoon off Benson Brook Road.

Later that same day, the town received a second check for $150,810.52 in federal CARES Act funding administered by Plymouth County. The money is reimbursement for non-budgeted COVID-related expenses in response to scheduled applications.

Straus explained that the $250,000 delivered on April 2 to support the lagoon project applies to the current fiscal year, FY21.

"Other projects elsewhere in the state weren't as far along when this money became available, but we're still working with the [Department of Environmental Protection] commissioner.... It's not like he gives a grant all at once; it's a progress statements kind of thing," said Straus.

The way the bond authorizations work, explained Straus, the town can draw upon the funding over several years. Careful craftsmanship played a role in securing the funding.

"It doesn't say Marion, but what it does say is certain kinds of sewage-treatment projects on Buzzards Bay," explained Straus. Marion's wastewater lagoon is the only item that checks the stipulated boxes.

Marion's steadfast attempts to secure debt funding is only a piece of the financial challenge that the town faces where it concerns a lagoon project that has been projected to eventually exceed $12 million when all is said and done.

The latest estimates indicate that 370 tons of sludge are yet to be removed from the lagoon, which is 70 tons more than previously estimated. Selectman John Waterman told Straus that the new information required a change in the article for funding that will appear on Marion's upcoming Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

The CARES Act funding, made possible via reimbursements for non-budgeted, pandemic-related expenses, enabled Marion to mobilize as a COVID-19 vaccine distribution center, initially inviting first-responders from Marion, Mattapoisett, Rochester, and Wareham, then tackling the eldest bracket of the town's residents.

In addressing Plymouth County's delegation that included Commissioners Greg Hanley and Jared Valanzola, Treasurer Tom O'Brien, and Register of

On the Cover: *From left, state Representative William Straus, Marion Sewer Superintendent Frank Cooper, Wastewater Treatment Plant Assistant Operator Nathaniel Munafo, Marion Board of Selectmen Chairman Randy Parker, Finance Director Judy Mooney, Town Administrator Jay McGrail, and Selectmen John Waterman and Norm Hills gathered on April 2 at the wastewater treatment plant off Benson Brook Road, where Straus presented the Marion delegates with a $250,000 check, part of a $2 million commitment from the state to assist in debt payment associated with the rehabilitation of the lagoon. Photo by Mick Colageo*

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Deeds John Buckley Jr., Esq., who were gathered around the Elizabeth Taber statue in Bicentennial Park, Town Administrator Jay McGrail pointed to the drive-thru vaccination clinics the town held.

"This is an unbelievable check for us to get for one specific reason. Included in the funding for this check is the tent that we purchased, and we used that tent since starting in January to vaccinate over 2,000 people in this community, including almost 90 percent of our 85-plus population," said McGrail. "We're still using it this week ... for second shots, which will be the last of our vaccinations that we'll be receiving from the state."

McGrail continued, "When we look back in history and think about what we've done since January 1 with that tent that you paid for with that check ... honestly, those people wouldn't have gotten those shots without that check."

O'Brien said Marion's well-organized application resulted in one of Plymouth County's first reimbursement checks. Friday's was the second, and will not be the last, according to O'Brien, who noted that county administration of the program has resulted in more funding for towns, along with crucial accounting services that became critical when the federal government determined that six expense categories were not sufficient and expanded the application to 17 categories.

April 2 did not solve all of Marion's problems, but the aid indicates that the image of Marion as a well-off, quaint little seaside resort inhabited by the wealthy is a false assumption and was not a deterrent to the lagoon funding Straus secured, but part of his job as a state representative is to make sure the state realizes that there is much more to Marion and Mattapoisett than some waterfront homes.

"We have diverse towns ... frankly, going back to whaling days," he said. "Marion and Rochester, some of the population, particularly even the Cape Verdean communities in the towns, some members of a family would be out on whaleships, some would be on the (cranberry) bogs. That diversity in these towns is still present, as we all know."

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April Is Donate Life Month

By Marilou Newell

Samuel Evan Ellis could not have known when he got a tattoo on his hand that the words he had chosen for his body art would become professorial – "Never Die." When his sister saw the tattoo, she was a bit miffed, asking him why he would select that wording. He simply replied, "Because I want my legacy to live on."

Ellis was killed in an automobile accident last summer. The Old Rochester Regional High School graduate was just 20 years old. His sister, Sophia-Lynn Bechard, recalling that day when she questioned his choice of words, has come to find comfort in them and his other decision to be an organ donor. Ellis' grandmother, former Mattapoisett Town Clerk Barbara Ellis, remembers her beloved grandson this way: "He was proud of the fact that, even though he was so young, he could help others if anything happened."

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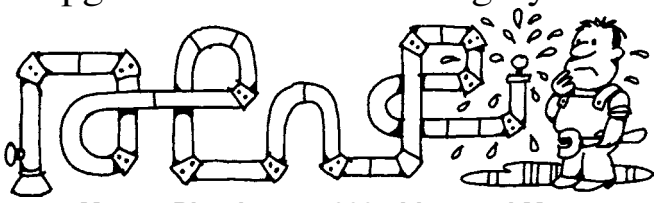
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also to highlight the persistent need for organ donation registration and the difficult decision that families make to help save others, even as their own grief bares its teeth.

Bechard says her brother's decision to select organ donation was not surprising. "Sam loved people, he was always helping out," she said, recalling a younger brother whose generous spirit and compassion for others was reflected by over 500 people who attended his wake. "He was a friend to everybody. …He was the light in everyone's life."

Now a mere 10 months later, the extended Ellis family wants everyone to know that Sam's gifts of life have helped many. More than one person is the beneficiary of Sam's desire to leave a legacy of life-sustaining importance.

Bechard is now a volunteer with New England Donor Services, the same organization that has helped her family through the process of keeping Sam's final wish. "They have been with us every step of the way," she said.

A statement from the organization reads in part: "This is the eighteenth annual National Donate Life Month, a celebration commemorating those who have given the gift of life through organ and tissue donation. … [Fifty-eight] percent of the U.S. adult population are registered organ and tissue donors, yet the number of people in need of transplants continues to outpace the number of organs donated."

While losing a loved one is never an easy thing to experience regardless of age or circumstance, in some instances there can be the chance to change the lives of others who wait for donors.

"Sam is getting to live on through other people; we get comfort from that thought," Bechard quietly stated.

On Wednesday, April 7, a flag will be raised at Mattapoisett Town Hall to remember all who have selected organ donation and to remind everyone that many more organ donors are still needed.

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Before even arriving on scene, the police dispatchers reported multiple calls about the fire.

Chief Andrew Murray was the first on the scene and reported heavy fire conditions. Engine 1 and then Engine 4 quickly followed Murray to the scene. The fire crews entered the structure and advanced to the upper floors to combat the fire. The structure, which is listed as a single-family home, is over 9,000 square feet in size with two stories and an attic and is formerly known as the Silver Gull Inn.

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Fairhaven, Marion, and Rochester Fire Departments assisted Mattapoisett at the scene, and the Acushnet Fire Department sent an engine to the Mattapoisett station for coverage during the incident.

Selectmen Waiting on DeCosta before Borrowing

Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen

By Marilou Newell

The April 6 meeting of the Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen may have been a brief 25 minutes, but the two items on the agenda represented opportunities to improve lives, both everyday life and, for some, the quality of a life being lived in the shadow of medical issues.

One day motorists may be riding on smooth, newly-paved roadways along village streets lined with additional parking and new sidewalks, but first come the funding details as the board discussed ongoing design development for Main, Water, and Beacon Streets.

Town Administrator Mike Lorenco told the selectmen that, currently, the engineering firm VHB had submitted the necessary 25-percent design to the Massachusetts Department of Transportation for its

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comments. Not wishing to delay design development, Lorenco said that to achieve the next benchmark (75-percent design), $450,000 is needed. He said that although the project, which has been on the Massachusetts Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) list for several years, had been pushed out to 2026, it is important to move forward on the design.

But how to fund the $450,000?

Lorenco explained that a 15-year bond at 1.3-percent interest would cost the taxpayers approximately $10 per year over the life of the bond. He said that a bond anticipation note (BAN) is another avenue, but would preclude the town from excluding it from debt at a later date.

Selectman Jordan Collyer and Chairman Paul Silva both wanted to think about a variety of options, including a tax levy, with Silva urging that, before they make any borrowing decisions, Selectman John DeCosta be given the chance to voice his comments. DeCosta was not present at the evening meeting.

However, the clock is ticking. The board discussed putting a question before voters on the May 18 ballot, but without a decision on a borrowing method, it was unclear if they had time to wait for DeCosta's comments. The town clerk is required to submit election details by April 12.

"I just think we should get John's comments," Silva said. "He's going to have to live with whatever happens; I won't be here."

Collyer and Silva reached a compromise. They would wait until Friday to hear from DeCosta and then meet on Friday, April 9, at 12:30 pm to make a final decision.

Earlier in the meeting, coming before the board were Barbara Sullivan, retired town clerk, and her granddaughter, Sophia-Lynne Bechard. Speaking on behalf of the two women, Collyer said they wanted permission to fly the Donor Life Flag outside Town Hall. April is Donor Month and the Ellis family wishes to heighten the importance of organ and tissue donation.

Collyer said, "In every tragedy, there can be hope." Samuel Ellis was a donor, which his family has

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found comfort in as they continue to grieve his passing.

After proclaiming April as Donor Month, the selectmen approved the raising of the flag, which will take place on Wednesday, April 7, at 5:00 pm at Town Hall.

The next meeting of the Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen is scheduled for Friday, April 9, at 12:30 pm.

Farinon, Starrett Exits Will Require Reset

Rochester Board of Selectmen

By Mick Colageo

The Town of Rochester will lose two key employees at the end of Fiscal Year 2021, Conservation Agent Laurell Farinon and Town Planner Steven Starrett.

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Both employees' resignation letters were officially accepted by the Board of Selectmen during its April 5 meeting.

Farinon was recognized for her 27 years of service to the town, as the board voted to accept each resignation and send out letters of appreciation to both her and Starrett.

"We wish her the best in her new endeavor," said Board of Selectmen Chairman Paul Ciaburri of Farinon. "I'm sorry to see [Starrett] go, but hopefully we'll find somebody as good."

Town Counsel Blair Bailey identified the challenge of the coincidental departures as an opportunity to put heads together including those of Farinon and Starrett so that town officials can gain the understanding necessary to best define the respective jobs going forward and navigate toward what will be two pivotal hires.

"This is a good opportunity, at least from my end, for us to look at both positions and see what we want from a priority standpoint," said Bailey. "Because they're both open, we really need to look at [both positions] as one package. ...We just definitely need to jump on this because they're both gone at the end of the fiscal year."

FY21 comes to an end on June 30.

As Rochester's only conservation agent, Farinon's original part-time job soon became full-time, and her multiple adjudicatory boards in town and the Mattapoisett River Valley Water District commission and safety committee have benefitted from her guidance. While Starrett has been the town's planner on a part-time basis, the experience and institutional knowledge that both have brought to the town cannot be replicated.

Starrett has served Rochester in a part-time capacity the past four to five years, according to Ciaburri.

While deferring to Selectman Brad Morse's experience, Selectman Woody Hartley volunteered to represent the selectmen in a think tank that would presumably include Town Administrator Suzanne Szyndlar, the chairmen of the Planning Board and Conservation Commission, and input from Farinon and Starrett.

"Initially I think it needs to be all three of us,

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I really do, because this is a monumental change time that we can really see where we're heading with our planning [and] conservation," said Morse. "That's a major personnel change."

Without Starrett's representation to the Southeastern Regional Planning & Economic Development District (SRPEDD), Bailey suggested that the Planning Board appoint one of its members.

Reporting on behalf of Szyndlar, who was absent, Bailey told the selectmen that the FY22 draft budget of $22,858,381 constitutes an approximate $631,215 or 2.84-percent increase.

The Board of Selectmen will finalize the budget proposal at its April 20 meeting, where it will be joined by the Finance Committee to go over the draft warrant for the Annual Town Meeting.

Rochester received some good financial news, as the town's third CARES Act funding request for $113,132.75 is complete. Federal CARES Act funds reimburse individual municipalities for non-budgeted, pandemic-related expenses.

In other news, Hartley announced that the state Department of Transportation has informed the town that it will not be required to kick in 20 percent of the $53,000 Senior Center improvement project.

SEMASS, meanwhile, sent Rochester a $10,000 check for outreach, so the selectmen have $20,000, including the $10,000 that was not spent last year, and will consider requests on April 20.

In other business, the board approved the ambulance hardship application for funds, and approved the appointment of Jordan Latham to the Rochester Cultural Council.

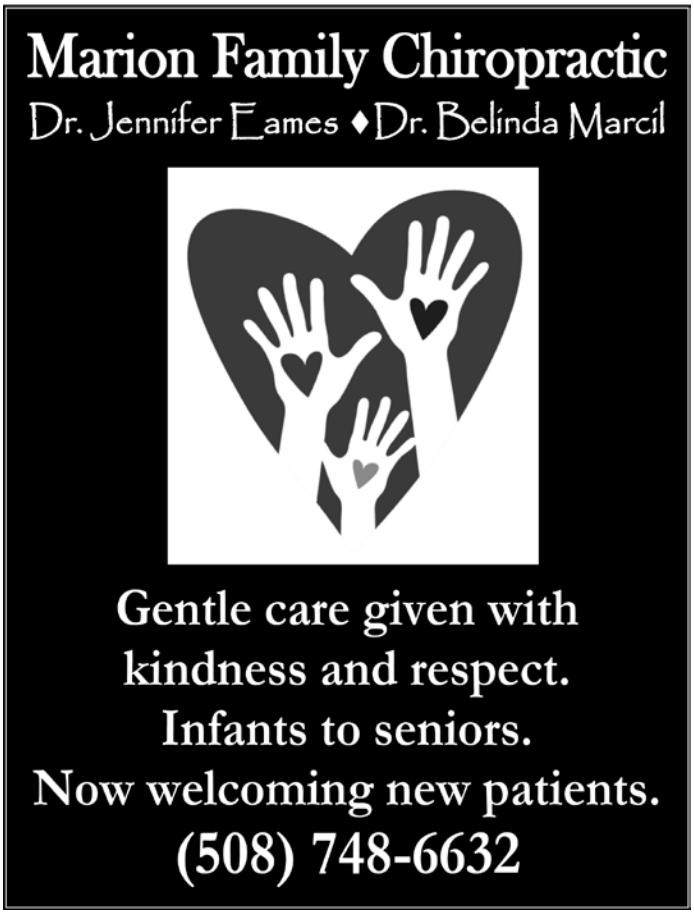
The next meeting of the Rochester Board of Selectmen is scheduled for Tuesday, April 20, at 6:00 pm.

Road Status Remains Up in Air

Marion Board of Selectmen

By Mick Colageo

Evidence was unearthed supporting the belief that Cross Neck Road is at least partly a public way, but arguments and data presented at the April 6 meeting of



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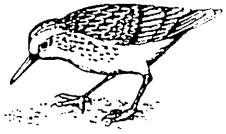

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the Marion Board of Selectmen fell short of concluding that the entire road is public.

Marion resident David Gulley appeared before the selectmen seeking an update on behalf of the Cross Neck Road Homeowners Association.

What is at stake is whether Gulley and his fellow association members will gain assistance from the town with a collection of water in the roadway, the result of an owner's deflection of water that had been running through a storm drainpipe and onto property until it was purchased in October 2019.

If it is determined that the west end of Cross Neck Road to where it meets Point Road is, in fact, a public way – there seems to be no debating that the east end of Cross Neck Road is public – then residents will be entitled to services provided by the Public Works Department.

Gulley told the selectman he was informed after correspondence with Town Administrator Jay McGrail and Town Counsel Jon Witten that the road is a public way, but any repair projects would fall under capital items, so there are no funding guarantees.

Since then, Gulley said he was told that funds have not been budgeted, but he did concede that the road has gotten much more professional attention in the wake of recent rainstorms.

McGrail reported on an October 2020 opinion from town counsel saying it does clearly state it is the easterly section in the 1930-1934 land-court decision. As for the west end of the road where the problem lies, McGrail admitted that there might be "no definitive answer."

Having served on the Conservation Commission, Selectman Norm Hills cited the Wetlands Protection Act and cautioned against the idea that water can be directed away from wetlands at the whim of residents.

"Being the nosy guy that I am, I'll interject myself in this and help try to get it resolved," he said.

While presenting information via screen share on Zoom, Gulley clarified that the association is not responsible for maintaining the road. "That's not the purpose of the association," he said, defining its reason for being to maintain the septic system that runs under the road. He also noted that the association does not represent owners of Nos. 125, 130, 174 and 175.

Board of Selectmen Chairman Randy Parker suggested McGrail review the matter with town counsel, while it's presumed that Hills will seek comment from the Conservation Commission.

Marion's ambulance billing rates have not been increased since 2013, according to Fire Chief Brian Jackvony whose request that the town adopt the Plymouth County average rates as of November 5, 2020, was approved by the selectmen.

Average rates across the state include: Basic Life Support at $1,379 (Medicare/Medicaid $390); Advanced Life Support at $1,921 (Medicare/Medicaid $469); and Advanced Life Support II at $2,009. Marion's old rate

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has been below state averages at $851. By comparison, Abington's rate is $1,650.

McGrail noted that the new rates will only affect those with private insurers, as Medicaid and Medicare rates are capped, plus Marion can assist residents with hardship cases. McGrail estimates that three or four hardship cases have reached his desk during the last two years.

The Board of Selectmen voted to close the Annual Town Meeting Warrant, a process that began shortly after Labor Day 2020. McGrail estimates the warrant took 70 percent of his time and thanked Finance Director Judy Mooney and Administrative Assistant Debra Paiva for the role she played.

Article 13, a vote on policy role of selectmen representative on committees and subcommittees, will be updated and officially adopted by the selectmen. While John Waterman participates in Finance Committee meetings, he does not vote. Hills and Parker, on the other hand, are elected members of other boards and do vote.

That topic led to discussion on DPW Engineer Meghan Davis' role as treasurer for the Mattapoisett River Valley Water District, a role the town is apparently looking to end considering Marion's minor role in the MRV and the large amount of time Davis needs to prepare reports.

Police Chief Richard Nighelli reported to the selectmen on his department's reaccreditation, something done every three years, including successful review of 270 mandatory standards and 125 optional standards.

"It really is a team effort, and I applaud our team. It really is a testament to them," said Nighelli. "We appreciate all the support that we get not only from the board but from the community."

In his Town Administrator's Report, McGrail discussed the work Town Planner Gil Hilario has been doing to secure grant funding with Marion's ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) access plan and Hazard Mitigation Plan in conjunction with the Woods Hole Group. The latter will help fund an elevated Creek Road Pump station.

On Monday, April 26, at 6:00 pm, a new presentation will be made on Zoom for the Harbormaster facility. McGrail said the new plan, scaled down from last summer's presentation at a public meeting, is ready for public consumption.

The selectmen voted to approve three appointments.

Alanna Nelson was appointed to Cape and Vineyard Electric Collaborative (CVEC). Marion's commitment as a CVEC member requires providing a member to its board. Bill Saltonstall stepped down from the position and recommended Nelson.

Bruce Hebbel was appointed to fill a three-year vacancy as an associate member on the Conservation Commission. Hebbel has served on Marion's

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Conservation Commission in two prior stints and was enthusiastically recommended by Hills.

Hannah Moore was appointed to the Memorial Day Committee, an item McGrail was surprised to learn. "She does a lot for Memorial Day; I had no idea she wasn't on the committee," he said, citing her service to the event.

The selectmen approved Water/Sewer billing commitments in the amounts of $986,936.19; $957,346.07; $27,613.17; and $977.61.

Three donations were approved by the selectmen.

Margie Baldwin's proposal of a memorial bench at Silvershell Beach in memory of Dagmar Unhoch, who passed away on June 30, 2020, has been accepted. A beloved citizen, Unhoch was known to pick up trash around the beach during the winter and swam daily at high tide in the summer.

A donation of $23,850 to the Fire Department/EMA for the transportation and treatment of injured patients, and a donation to the Recreation Department of an 8-foot fiberglass skip valued at $300 value and in good condition, was also accepted.

A "pre-Town Meeting meeting" is scheduled for Tuesday, May 4, at 5:00 pm in lieu of the selectmen's regular meeting. Town Meeting is being held on Monday, May 10. The next regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen is scheduled for Tuesday, April 20, at 4:00 pm.

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Budget Matters Tidied Up

Marion Finance Committee

By Mick Colageo

Town Administrator Jay McGrail and Finance Director Judy Mooney appeared before the Finance Committee at its March 31 Zoom meeting to explain changes to two articles for the Spring Town Meeting warrant. The committee members voted to approve the changes to Articles 2 and 20, part of their meeting including votes to approve warrant articles for the May 10 Town Meeting.

Under Article 2 on the main budget, Mooney displayed two adjusted figures, $1,516,446 representing money ORR was paying the town, and $25,301,061, the total level-services budget figure.

"The overall net effect did not change," Mooney told FinCom, explaining that the old numbers were misleading because they were based on a methodology derived from an old contract with the bus transportation company. "We decreased the operating budget, but we also decreased the net receipts."

Where it shows up, said Mooney, is in the Sippican School subtotal adjusted to show $6,330,071 for FY22 as opposed to $6,353,539 in FY21. The negative 0.37 percent, she said, in reality, is closer to negative 0.24 percent. The FY21 figure for Sippican includes the money under the former methodology; the FY22 figure does not.

McGrail noted that Mattapoisett and Rochester have made the same systematic change in their budget processes. "ORR will pay their transportation directly to their bus company rather than go through the towns," he said.

Marion's school budget increase is down to a 2.13-percent budget increase. "It's basically an accounting change. It makes things easier," he said.

FinCom Chairman Peter Winters asked for clarification.

Mooney explained that the $170,000 for Sippican transportation was included in ORR's assessment. "It was like a double-accounting; it was a pass-through," she said. "It made no sense," said McGrail.

In Article 20, Marion contracted for a survey of

the bottom of the Wastewater Treatment Plant lagoon meant for greater accuracy in determining the amount of sludge remaining. The exercise yielded 70 more tons, bringing the total to 370 tons remaining and needing removal.

Including what was removed, the original estimate is off by over 1,000 tons, since when the cleanup is complete, approximately 1,450 tons of sludge will have been removed from the lagoon.

"This is actually the first time we've ever gotten in the bottom of the lagoon," said McGrail.

Marion chose a 15-percent contingency, bringing the number for the appropriation up to $2,740,000.

"We're spending $10 million to remove the sludge ... for $10 million, we probably could have upgraded every septic in the town, and it probably would have been better for the bay," said Selectman John Waterman.

Chairman Peter Winters clarified that the approval is necessary to comply with the consent decree with the state Department of Environmental Protection and Buzzards Bay Coalition. McGrail told FinCom it was difficult to secure an extension to the end of the year to complete the cleanup.

Other warrant articles discussed included Community Preservation Commission funds to expand the waterproofing of the entire basement of the Town House without adding to the original expense. McGrail credited Shaun Cormier for finding the financing

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mechanism.

The next meeting of the Marion Finance Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, April 28, at 7:00 pm.

Committee Looks to Be Proactive

Mattapoisett Capital Planning

By Marilou Newell

Times they are a-changing, or so the song goes. But change is inevitable as the push and pull of surrounding events, or in this case big-ticket municipal projects, have the Mattapoisett Capital Planning Committee ready to dig deeper and more expansively into requests than ever before.

On March 31, committee Chairman Chuck McCullough opened the meeting by saying, "Now that FY22 in behind us, the heavy work in is front of us." McCullough went on to say that it is imperative that the committee structures a more-inclusive, fact-finding philosophy, one that would give the committee all the data necessary to make informed recommendations to the town administrator and the Board of Selectmen. "We need to add value." He said by becoming a more proactive, fact-finding driver, the committee would also become more of a partner in helping advise decisionmakers.

McCullough pointed to the recent revelation that the Fire Department is using an engine that was just short of being permanently sidelined due to serious structural integrity issues. "We can do better," he told the committee members.

Historically, the Capital Planning Committee would receive a list of needs costing more than $10,000 and with a lifespan of at least 10 years. They would then meet with the department heads, ascertain the rationale for the request, and, once all had had their say, the Capital Planning Committee would debate the merits of the requests and then prioritize them.

But probing dialog, requests for supporting documentation that gives the full picture of the need, and making department heads provide hard data, had not been part of the committee's routine. Now it would be and needs to be, according to McCullough.

The fire engine, McCullough has determined through a series of questions asked of Fire Chief Andrew Murray, should have already come before the committee long before the need became dire. Estimated at $500,000, the engine had been plugged into the FY23 column. "We were told of the critical condition of the fire truck. Department heads need to give us the real hard facts sooner," he said.

On the theme of vehicles, McCullough said that police cruisers are routinely purchased every year with one being funded by the department's budget and the other from free cash via the Capital Planning list. But he said there isn't any data supporting the purchases. "There's no information on what the new cruisers will replace, or any value placed on those coming out of service." He said he did not know where retiring cruisers would end up. Town Administrator Mike Lorenco said that previous cruiser purchases at $48,000 are now estimated at $55,000, but he was without details behind the increase.

McCullough moved on to explain that the committee had not been involved in the largest infrastructure project the town has ever embarked upon, the bike path. He wondered aloud who is in charge of such a large project. "The bike path never hit our radar. We need to be quantifying the value of needs."

Continuing to emphasize total involvement with big-ticket items and projects, McCullough again

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said, "We need to quantify the value of needs. What if something doesn't get purchased? We need to know how that impacts an operation." And touching on municipal buildings, he added, "We need to ask more questions. … I see us expanding our ability to dig into these things."

Committee member Mike Rosa said he now believes the committee had a baseline on a number of capital needs but added, "We need to get more consistency from department heads."

Adding to the discussion, committee member Mike Dahill said, "Yes, we need consistency with complete lists of assets." He said that while the Fire Department had done a good job in light of its new station construction with asset lists down to the copy machines, conversely, the Police Department has not provided sufficient data. It was further pointed out that some questions on request forms were left unanswered and that one harbormaster boat never appeared on an asset list.

Lorenco said the town purchased an asset-tracking software tool, but that it had never been fully deployed; not all departments have received training on how to use it. He said, "I will do a better job communicating to department heads."

McCullough responded, saying, "We need the details to help you. We shouldn't be coming to you for answers. We can do some of the legwork, we can all work together. I want to be more proactive."

After noting that his time has been primarily

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focused on drafting the FY22 budget that got off to a late start due to the pandemic, Lorenco said, "I plan on starting the FY23 budget in September … so that by January I have a vetted [capital needs] list for you."

Committee member Alan Apperson suggested that showing department heads how another department has prepared its data to formulate its capital expense requests would be beneficial. The Highway Department, under the guidance of retiring surveyor Barry Denham, was cited as a prime example of a department providing thorough detail.

The committee thinks starting with the town's fleet of vehicles could be the jumping-off point, and that collecting mileage and maintenance data for a baseline is necessary. Rosa suggested updating the municipal vehicle policy might prove helpful, along with the development of an asset spreadsheet.

Lorenco said he could provide asset lists for items requiring insurance coverage.

Turning to other long-range needs, the topic of a new town hall was discussed. Committee members wondered who would make the decision to move forward on a new town hall building and considered the importance of understanding the scope of repairs to the existing building if, in the future, it would be closed.

McCullough said that study of the town hall can run concurrently, as the study of school consolidation is being done by consultants.

"I don't know what's around the corner," said Lorenco, noting that surprises could pop up as he learns what the town hall building needs to last another four or five years. Lorenco said that even school consolidation would carry costs. Committee member Bob Bergman planned to meet with Building Inspector Andy Bobola to discuss the Town Hall's current physical condition.

Lorenco said that a new meals tax will help offset expenses for such items as roadway repairs and town buildings, and that those new monies would not go into free cash.

The next meeting of the Mattapoisett Capital Planning Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, April 14, at 6:00 pm.

Developments Pose Record Impact

Marion Planning Board

By Mick Colageo

The elephant in the kitchen proved too big not to talk about when the Marion Planning Board met via Zoom on April 5.

In a public hearing opened to entertain applicant Matt Zuker's request for a zoning reclassification of 30 acres of land on Bournhurst Road and Wareham Street (Route 6) from single-family housing to multi-family (Residence Zone E), the board intended to limit its discussion to the merits of the zoning request and avoid the housing development itself.

"They're intertwined," countered attorney Patricia McArdle, addressing the board on behalf of Zuker.

McArdle introduced a deed restriction that would limit any development on the four lots (30 acres) to 48 units, still falling far below the zoning change that will go to Town Meeting floor on May 10 seeking to reduce Zone E multi-family housing from a maximum of 12 units per acre to six. This development, McArdle pointed out, is less than two units per acre.

"The zoning (request) is not about density, it's about flexibility," said Zuker. "We want to work with the town."

Planning Board Vice Chairman Andrew Daniel, acting as meeting chair in the absence of Chairman Will Saltonstall, asked McArdle and Zuker, "Does it have to be an E? ...Would [D] suit the town better in that area? Still a greater density than a B."

Town Planner Gil Hilario was more concerned that the board consider the ramifications of a third major housing development in Marion, while two comparably sized developments are in the vetting process.

Between Steen Realty's Heron Cove development on Route 6 and Sherman Briggs' project off Spring Street and Mill Street, said Hilario, Marion will soon go from adding four new residential units per year to 138. "That's over 1,000 percent," he said. "We're getting to the point where we really need to discuss how the zoning change is going to impact Marion and its future."

Hilario mentioned sewer capacity, school system,

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utilities, and taxes as entities all about to be severely impacted just by the two residential developments in the works.

"The number of units we're getting is incredibly high over the year, and now we're talking about a third development," he said. "I think the discussion needs to be on the zoning change."

Planning Board member Chris Collings asked where Marion stands on its build-out of available lots. Member Norm Hills said, "We are running out of buildable lots, between wetlands, flood zones, and what's already been built out."

Hills suggested an analysis be done, especially now that the Steen, Briggs, and now Zuker developments are being sought.

McArdle said that Zuker is seeking a low-density development and openly wished she could satisfy the questions asked with a financial report put together by the development team that was not ready for distribution.

Meantime, the Planning Board is waiting on the Board of Assessors for a requested comparative analysis that would presumably yield a reliable sense of expectation of financial impacts on the town with and without the requested zoning change.

Daniel concluded that there is not yet enough information available to adequately inform the board, and McArdle requested a continuance. The board voted unanimously to continue the public hearing to Tuesday, April 20.

A major site plan review of Briggs' project, which seeks in partnership with Hamblin Homes Inc. to construct and 28 townhouses on Spring Street at Mill Street, was also on the schedule of continued public hearings but was continued to Tuesday, April 20.

A public hearing was opened to discuss proposed bylaw codification for Town Meeting articles and continued to Tuesday, April 20.

Along with the aforementioned, zoning bylaw change for multi-family housing developments, Marion residents will be asked to vote to adopt the state's latest flood hazard district bylaw, retiring its own language. Daniel told the meeting that the public can visit marionma.gov and view the maps and see the changes.

In a continued public hearing that was closed, the Planning Board voted to grant Kristina Nelson, 3 Wells Road, two special permits for her nutrition club – one permit for what is categorized as a fast-food restaurant and the other as a general retail establishment. The special permit Nelson had sought for a reduction in the parking requirement was deemed unnecessary.

In response to a request from the Board of Selectmen, the Planning Board discussed the Papas Real Estate, LLC project, an application for a special permit to run a propane business on Luce Avenue and Highland Avenue.

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through the project area and noticed that "both roads are narrow." She is concerned about traffic flow and safety, including parking and loading.

According to Hilario, the propane business will need a special permit because it would be located in a water supply protection district.

The next meeting of the Marion Planning Board is scheduled for Tuesday, April 20, at 7:00 pm.

Asphalt Facility Gets Another Green Light

Rochester Conservation Commission

By Matthew Donato

In a Zoom meeting held on April 6, the Rochester Conservation Commission continued a discussion related to extending a previously issued Order of Conditions for the construction of a bituminous concrete (asphalt) processing facility along King's Highway.

Stephen Meltzer of Edgewood Development Company, LLC, representing the project, explained that he conducted a successful site visit with Rochester Conservation Agent Laurell Farinon, and the commission to provide an update on the site and refresh the memories of the involved parties.

The site itself totals roughly 5 acres in size with numerous access roads in order to allow trucks to transport raw materials into the facility. Commission members were generally concerned with drainage on the site, as the materials transported to the facility could pose a risk to the surrounding wetlands if they were to spill.

Bill Madden of G.A.F. Engineering, the principal engineer and designer of the plans, explained that the site itself includes numerous components to limit negative impact as a result of spilled material. These primarily include numerous basins around the facility designed to catch runoff before it could spill into a vegetated wetland area. In addition, Madden explained that the pumping system running throughout the site employs a gate system so that, in the case of a spill, damaged pipe could be isolated to prevent further leaks.

Gerry Lorusso joined Madden in the presentation to explain the types of materials used on the site. Mainly, sand and crushed stone are transported to the site and then mixed with liquid asphalt. Lorusso explained that one of the benefits of this material is that it is washed upon arrival, meaning harmful substances are removed from the material before it reaches the site. Further, the liquid asphalt could not reach a wetlands area because it needs to be heated in order to be in a liquid state. Therefore, by the time any material would leak, it would already be in a solid form.

Ultimately, Madden explained that the site goes above and beyond normal prevention measures related to drainage due to the desire to protect nearby water sources used by cranberry bogs. The Conservation Commission thanked Madden for providing an updated overview of the plans and voted to grant Meltzer a three-year

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David Davignon of Schneider, Davignon, & Leone, Inc. came before the commission to discuss a public hearing relating to a Notice of Intent filing for the construction of a new home on Clapp Road. Davignon explained that he had been working alongside Farinon to come up with a plan that will satisfy the commission's concerns before the public hearing takes place.

The proposed construction includes drainage features along a paved driveway, runoff areas on the roof, and the placement of stone boulders along the portion of the site that would border the wetlands area. Davignon told commission members that the placement of these boulders would provide a natural boundary to prevent work from taking place in protected areas.

Farinon advised Davignon to review the site for large trees that might be hazardous, as they could be added to the proposal and removed from the site as part of the Notice of Intent filing. Davignon agreed to include that part of the work on his proposal and requested a continuance until the next Conservation Commission meeting.

Prior to the conclusion of the meeting, ConCom Chairman Michael Conway took a moment to publicly thank Farinon for her continued work in helping the commission and for everything she had down for the Town of Rochester. This came after Farinon announced she would be leaving the role through the submission of a letter of resignation to the town.

Farinon has worked as Rochester's conservation agent for the last 27 years. She has spent much of that time advocating for the purchase of more open space areas throughout the town, as well as working closely with the town members to facilitate the speedy execution of their projects. Commission members echoed Conway's sentiment and thanked Farinon for her commitment to the town. "It has been truly a pleasure to serve all of you and everyone in this town," Farinon told commission members.

Farinon will continue to work with the commission members as they transition and hire a new agent prior to her eventual departure from the role at the

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The next Rochester Conservation Commission meeting is set to be held via Zoom on Tuesday, April 20, at 7:00 pm.

Solar Bylaw Withdrawn from Warrant

Mattapoisett Planning Board

By Marilou Newell

It may not be a true eleventh-hour revelation, but pretty close, as the Mattapoisett Planning Board voted on April 5 to withdraw a new Solar Bylaw Article from the Annual Town Meeting Warrant after learning that legal edits are needed.

For over a year, the board and its members, especially Janice Robbins, have been beavering away on solar bylaw drafts in preparation for a Town Meeting vote. Now, practically on the eve of having the warrant printed, the board learned that legal review would prompt a number of edits.

Robbins, who has nearly single-handedly spearheaded the bylaw draft, said, "I thought town counsel had already seen it, but, no, they hadn't. They made numerous edits including some that are substantive in nature." She went on to say, "I can't support going forward at this time; the better course is to pull it from the May Town Meeting."

Citing the time needed to absorb the legal edits and prepare the document for a Fall Town Meeting,

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Robbins said there is no point in jeopardizing the adoption of a new solar bylaw by having the Attorney General reject it on a technicality. "It's a complicated bylaw; we need to get this right," she said.

The board unanimously voted to withdraw the article until fall.

Another zoning bylaw, Flood Hazard Areas, is headed to the Annual Town Meeting in May. Acting Planning Board Administrator Mike Gagne said that adoption of the FEMA-mandated revisions had been sidelined due to COVID-19 closures, but added it is now time to seek voter approval. He said the town must accept new maps and language edits or FEMA insurance will be rescinded. "It's so important that we do this," Gagne said.

Discussing the matter further, Robbins said there were actually two articles covering the topic – one for the zoning bylaw, and a second on associated definitions. The board decided to take another look at everything, repost the public hearing to include the definitions section, and return to the matter during its May 3 meeting.

In other matters, Gagne advised the board that the lender agreement executed between the owners of Brandt Point Village and the town expired in August 2018. The beleaguered residential subdivision has seen its share of complications from several ownerships and incomplete construction for common-area features, and concerns over a shared septic system.

In conversations with the owner's representative, Al Loomis of McKenzie Engineering, Gagne said Loomis had responded to a punch list of comments from the town's peer-review consultant, Field Engineering, and vice versa, but more time is needed for review. Gagne said, regarding the lapsed financial agreement, that more guidance is needed from town counsel.

There were a number of Approval Not Required and Form A submissions on the lengthy agenda. They included an ANR for 3 Crystal Spring Road by Ryan Correira; Lots 85A and 86A located at Shagbark Circle represented by Jason Youngest of Outback Engineering for a Form A; Brandt Island Road Lots 56 and 57 represented by Douglas Schneider of Schneider, Davignon, & Leone, Inc.; and a Form A for Lots 121 and 122 in the Bay Club,

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also represented by Youngest. All were approved.

A Form C application filed for property located on Park Lane was continued when Robbins returned to the unorthodox plan previous presented by the applicant's representative, Doug Schneider. At issue is a proposal that the developers of the subdivision would reconstruct Park Lane, a public way. Robbins said she needed to consult with town counsel, having "never seen anything like this before."

She noted that the roadway portion of the proposal would have the developers reconstructing the public roadway from dirt to pavement, as well as a realignment of the roadway in the cul-de-sac. The matter was continued until May 3.

Also coming before the board was Robert Duffy, 4 Pine Island Road, requesting permission to repair and improve an existing rubble-stone wall feature located along a scenic byway. The request was approved after assurances that the wall would be placed on Duffy's private property, not in the municipal easement.

Board members also took up the issue of updating and setting a Planning Board fee schedule. Gagne said that Town Meeting would need to approve an amendment to the board's Rules and Regulations before the board has the authority to set fees. He said that Town Meeting should approve their authority first, authority they currently do not have, then once that is in place, fees could be planned.

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Member Karen Field asked if Gagne had any details on the long-planned Tinkham Forest Trail. Gagne said that an access trail was planned, had been mapped out, and needed to be placed on local maps. A final step of having the trail recorded at the Registry of Deeds would close the loop.

The next meeting of the Mattapoisett Planning Board is scheduled for Monday, May 3, at 7:00 pm.

BOH Readies to Regulate Tattoo Parlors

Marion Board of Health

By Jean Perry

With Marion set to host the town's first body art and tattoo establishment, the Marion Board of Health on April 6 set its sights on May to hold a public hearing to adopt a set of body art establishment regulations.

Marion's regulations will be based primarily on the state's own set of model regulations for local boards of health to use as a starting point in drafting regulations allowing for the authority to issue body art permits and conduct regular inspections.

Board of Health Chairman Dr. Edward Hoffer said he had town counsel review the draft regulations and reported no apparent issues with the language that lays out the specifics concerning sanitation and sterilization measures and procedures, establishment recordkeeping, standards of practice, injury and complaint protocols, and permitting.

Health Agent Anna Wimmer said the only addition she wishes to make would be to add "microblading" to the definitions section of the regulations to include as a form of body art.

Microblading is a technique used predominantly for eyebrows involving several tiny needles that use fine strokes to apply semi-permanent ink into the skin.

The board expects it will review a final draft at its next meeting and schedule a public hearing for May.

On the COVID-19 front, Marion has seen an uptick in positive cases over the past several weeks, bringing the town's total up to 401. As of press time, there were eight active cases.

Sippican School has seven in quarantine awaiting test results with one positive case in isolation for a total of 36 confirmed cases since the onset of the pandemic last year.

Tabor Academy, just back from a two-week spring break, reported "a few positive cases," Health Nurse Lori Desmarais said, unrelated to any on-campus transmission and with no exposure reported on the school's campus. Regular testing at Tabor Academy is ongoing.

Sippican Healthcare Center has gone 56 days since its last confirmed positive case. All staff and residents have received both COVID-19 vaccine doses and are considered fully vaccinated.

Marion will be distributing its final second doses to its elderly population that received the vaccine through

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the town before the state switched its strategy to focus on mass vaccination sites.

A clinic was scheduled for April 7, and one final clinic is upcoming for next week for those last second doses.

The board held a public hearing for a septic system variance requested by Eileen and J. Thomas Bowler, 17 Moorings Road. BOH members agreed to continue the hearing after concluding that they would not favor a variance from the town's new regulation requiring new constructions to install state-of-the-art nitrogen-reducing septic systems while the couple awaits permission to connect to the municipal sewer service.

Engineer David Davignon explained that the variance would allow the Bowlers to keep the existing 1,500-gallon septic tank system in place while demolishing the existing five-bedroom single-family house and rebuilding a new one with the same number of bedrooms. However, Marion regulations require a 2,000-gallon septic system for a house that size, and one that is more environmentally friendly, known as an "innovative/alternative" (I/A) septic system.

According to Davignon, the existing septic system passed a Title V inspection, but the homeowners' long-term plan is to tie into the sewer system, forgoing the septic system altogether. He said an abutter is also involved in the project, which includes installing a grinder pump and a 2-inch forced main down a shared driveway to Converse Road, where they hope to connect.

Davignon said the couple had filed a sewer connection permit with the Water & Sewer Commission, which consists of the Board of Selectmen, and the plan is awaiting approval. Still, although the Bowlers intend on connecting to sewer, Davignon said, just in case, he wanted the availability of the existing septic system.

BOH member Dot Brown said she had many questions, given that she had recently spoken with Department of Public Works Superintendent David Willett, who allegedly told her that he does not foresee the Bowlers receiving approval for the sewer tie-in. According to Brown, Willett said the Bowlers would not be able to use a 2-inch pipe to connect to Converse Road. Instead, they would have to run the pipe down Conserve Road to Cove Street and tie in there, making the project more costly.

Brown said she also serves on a citizens' advisory group undertaking a comprehensive wastewater management plan and that the Converse Road area does not place high on the priority list at this time. Furthermore, that wastewater management plan has been delayed by about a year due to the pandemic, so the group is nowhere near the point of determining when the area would be considered for sewer upgrades.

Brown said she was not inclined to approve a variance from the board's new septic regulations, especially without an I/A septic system plan in place

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Davignon argued that the existing septic system, if granted the variance, would not ever be used throughout the demolition and construction, and so no increase in flow was imminent. He said it "troubles" him that the board would require the Bowlers to replace the passing septic system with an expensive I/A system when all they want is to connect to sewer eventually.

However, Brown would not concur. "If you can spend that much money on the house, then you can protect the water a little bit," said Brown.

Hoffer agreed with Brown that the new regulations require all new construction to install the I/A design, regardless of whether the existing septic system passes or fails a Title V inspection.

Davignon expressed frustration with the details about the 2-inch pipe not being able to hook up to Converse Road, of which he said he was unaware. Brown said the Board of Health could not solve the sewer problem for the Bowlers, but nor could it grant a variance for a septic system outside the new regulations and for an undetermined amount of time. However, without the BOH signing-off on the system, the Bowlers would not receive the building permits they need to demo and rebuild the house.

Davignon asked if the BOH would approve the variance, but with the caveat, should the Bowlers be denied a sewer connection, then they would install an I/A septic system.

Brown was still not comfortable with that, and neither were the other board members. Without a plan submitted for an I/A septic system, the board was not prepared to move forward.

J. Thomas Bowler spoke via Zoom and assured the board that the older septic system would never be used regardless of the sewer outcome, and also said he hadn't heard anything mentioned about the 2-inch pipe not being able to connect to Converse Road. He wanted to know more about that, but the board did not have the information.

Bowler's frustration was evident in the steady raising of his voice as he questioned the board about the information it was relying upon that evening. He questioned the "conflating a master septic/sewer plan for Marion with one homeowner's request," and Brown said that perception was "exactly why we're in this position now."

Every homeowner over the last 50 years has asked the same question, she said.

Bowler took "huge exception" to what he said was Brown's assumption that he was "trying to get out of" installing the I/A septic system. He defended himself by saying that he and his wife care about the environment and water quality and never intended to circumvent regulations. He continued speaking in a loud tone for some time until Hoffer turned to Davignon and asked if he would like a continuation of the public hearing to allow for time to obtain written permission for the sewer tie-in or, in the absence of that, to put together a plan for an I/A system as a backup plan.

Davignon accepted, and the hearing was continued until 4:10 pm on April 20.

The next meeting of the Marion Board of Health will be on April 20 at 4:00 pm.

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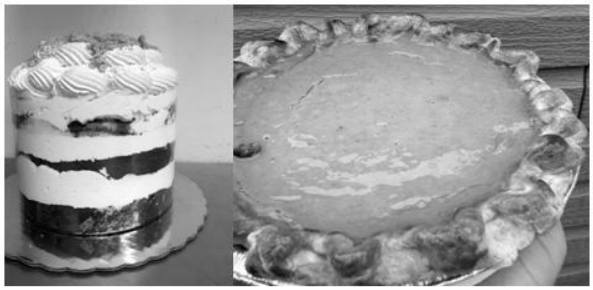

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Sports Roundup

By Nick Friar

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it might seem like the Cougars are at the beginning of a rebuilding process. But that is not the case with Kathy Peterson's sophomore-heavy team.

"They're going to be good; they work at it," Old Colony's head coach said. "They're just a nice group of boys and they take it seriously."

Luke Butler and **Brady Weglowski** lead Old Colony's group of 10 sophomores as the team's respective No. 1 and 2 players. A pair that has potential to break a nine-hole medal score of 40 every time out, Butler tied his season-opening match and Weglowski won his on the last hole as the pair also won best ball in Old Colony's 7½-2½ victory against Blue Hills at Acushnet River Valley, the Cougars' home course.

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"I didn't really have any expectations coming into the season, I was just going to use this season to figure out who's who," Peterson said. "Then, hopefully, we can play in the fall and change things up and see where everybody fits in. Because they are young, but they all work really hard.

"A lot of them had been playing leading up to the season on nicer days, which was encouraging because that doesn't always happen. They're usually dusting their clubs off the first day of practice."

Old Colony's No. 3 and 4 players, sophomores **Michael Niemi** and **Ty Dumas**, won in the Cougar's season-opening match, giving reason to wonder if this group is poised to dominate Mayflower Athletic Conference play in the Fall II season.

"Now, hopefully, they play all summer and don't miss a beat in the fall," Peterson said. "And they're just nice kids – they all get along and mesh; they help one another. It's encouraging."

Old Colony takes on Blue Hills again on Thursday, April 8, at 3:00 pm, this time at Ponkapoag Gold Course in Canton.

ORR Golf

The Bulldogs open up their season on Thursday, April 8, at 3:45 pm, when they visit host Seekonk at Ledgemont Country Club.

ORR Volleyball

As if their 3-1 win over Division I Durfee wasn't enough, the Bulldogs had to go and defeat another Division I program by a 3-1 score – this time it was Brockton. **Maggie Brogioli** was dominant in the win, finishing with 15 kills and 21 digs, as was **Lexie Vander Pol** with her 14 kills and 17-for-18 passing.

ORR remains unbeaten through its first five games, much like the school's girls basketball team that also featured **Meghan Horan**. The Bulldogs visit Wareham on Friday, April 9, at 6:00 pm to follow up their Tuesday home game against Apponequet.

ORR Football

The Bulldogs rebounded from a tough opening-day loss against Dighton-Rehoboth with their first win of the season, a 17-14 victory against Greater New Bedford

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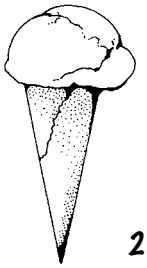

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Voc-Tech on April 2 in New Bedford.

Stephen Arne set the tone for ORR with his work on the ground, rushing for 134 yards on 23 carries. The senior also scored one of the Bulldogs' two touchdowns; the other was also scored on the ground but by quarterback **Ryon Thomas**.

ORR is back at home on Friday, April 9, for a 6:30 pm kickoff against its traditional Thanksgiving Day game opponent, Apponequet.

Old Colony Football

Old Colony football will remain 0-2 through Week 4 of the Fall II football season. The Cougars were originally slated to face Diman Voke last week, but the Bengals were in quarantine. The meeting rescheduled

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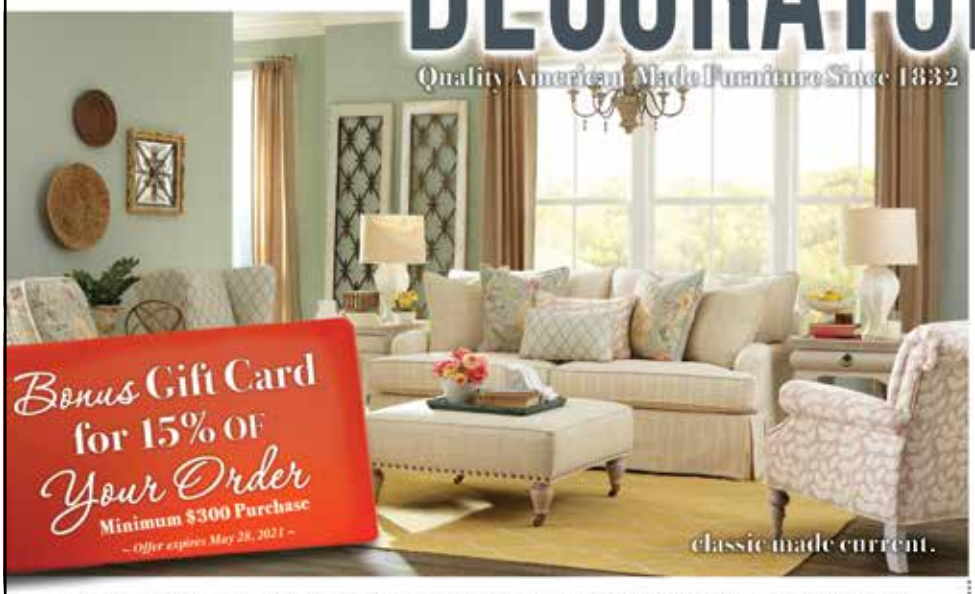

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10:30 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
11:00 AM Southcoast Matters
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM New England Cooks
1:30 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
2:00 PM Artist Interview - Thomas H. Lynch
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5:00 PM Governor Baker COVID-19 Update
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10:00 PM 4 Deep Sports Talk
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

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8:30 AM Health Expert
9:00 AM Schvitz'n with Norm
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10:00 AM The Art of Being Human
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Saturday April 10, 2021
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9:00 AM Governor Baker COVID-19 Update
10:00 AM Health Source
10:30 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
11:00 AM Cape Conversation
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Sunday April 11, 2021
6:00 AM Veterans Voice
6:40 AM Health Source
7:15 AM Mike Paige Doodle Club
7:30 AM The Art of Being Human
8:00 AM Mattapoisett Congregational Church
8:30 AM Timing is Everything
9:00 AM First Congregational Church of Rochester
10:00 AM St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church of Marion
11:00 AM Southcoast Matters
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2:30 PM Cape Conversation
3:07 PM Glass Studio on Cape Cod
3:30 PM Wellness Wednesday
4:00 PM The World Fusion Show
4:30 PM In the Toy Box
5:00 PM Governor Baker COVID-19 Update
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM Sippican Historical Society Oral History - George Pina
7:30 PM Off the Shelf
8:00 PM Money Matters TV
8:30 PM Reeling Movie Review
9:00 PM 4 Deep Sports Talk
10:00 PM Ghost Chronicles
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Monday April 12, 2021
7:00 AM Seniorcize
7:30 AM Seniors on the Move
8:00 AM Health Source
8:30 AM Health Expert
9:00 AM Living & Learning with Disabilities
10:00 AM The Art of Being Human
10:30 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
11:00 AM Cape Conversation
11:37 AM Help and Hope Southcoast
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline
1:00 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
1:30 PM The Chundria Show
2:00 PM Artist Interview - Thomas H. Lynch
2:30 PM Learning Music with Pat
3:00 PM Inspiring Careers
3:30 PM Recovery Recreation TV
4:00 PM This is America & The World
5:00 PM Governor Baker COVID-19 Update
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM Sippican Historical Society Oral History - Robert Pina
7:00 PM Off the Shelf
7:30 PM Money Matters TV
8:00 PM The World Fusion Show
8:30 PM Registers Report
9:00 PM IA Celtics Preview
10:00 PM 4 Deep Sports Talk
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Tuesday April 13, 2021
7:00 AM Seniorcize
7:30 AM Seniors on the Move
8:00 AM Health Expert
8:30 AM Schvitz'n with Norm
9:01 AM Recovery Fitness
9:30 AM Living & Learning with Disabilities
10:30 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
11:03 AM Help and Hope Southcoast
11:30 AM Learning Music with Pat
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline
1:00 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
1:30 PM The Chundria Show
2:00 PM Help and Hope Southcoast
2:30 PM ORRHS Boys Varsity Soccer vs Seekonk - March 25, 2021
4:00 PM This is America & The World
4:30 PM A Conversation With…
5:00 PM Governor Baker COVID-19 Update
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM The Non-Profit World
7:00 PM Reeling Movie Review
7:30 PM The World Fusion Show
8:00 PM Money Matters TV
8:30 PM Science 360
9:00 PM Talking Trek
10:00 PM Gay USA
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Wednesday April 14, 2021
7:00 AM Seniorcize
7:30 AM Health Source
8:05 AM On the Move
9:00 AM You and Your Health
9:30 AM Tae Kwon Do
10:00 AM The Art of Being Human
10:30 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
11:00 AM Mattapoisett Congregational Church
11:30 AM Lucy's World of Painting
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline
1:00 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
1:30 PM The Chundria Show
2:00 PM Southcoast Matters
3:00 PM Learning Music with Pat
3:30 PM Help and Hope Southcoast
4:00 PM Recovery Recreation TV
4:30 PM The World Fusion Show
5:00 PM Governor Baker COVID-19 Update
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM Sippican Historical Society Oral History - George Pina
7:30 PM Reeling Movie Review
8:00 PM Registers Report
8:30 PM Money Matters TV
9:00 PM IA Celtics Preview
10:00 PM Suicide Prevention in Massachusetts
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

MARION GOVERNMENT
Comcast Channel 95
Verizon Channel 39
Daily Schedule

7:00 AM Marion Open Space Acquisition Commission - April 1, 2021
7:38 AM Marion Water & Sewer Commissioners - March 25, 2021
8:44 AM Marion Conservation Commission - March 24, 2021
10:30 AM ORR School Committee - March 24, 2021
12:09 PM Marion Board of Selectman - March 16, 2021
1:12 PM Marion-Rochester Regional Health - March 16, 2021
1:30 PM Marion Board of Health - March 16, 2021
2:00 PM Marion Open Space Acquisition Commission - April 1, 2021
2:38 PM Marion Water & Sewer Commissioners - March 25, 2021
3:44 PM Marion Conservation Commission - March 24, 2021
5:30 PM ORR School Committee - March 24, 2021
7:09 PM Marion Board of Selectman - March 16, 2021
8:12 PM Marion-Rochester Regional Health - March 16, 2021
8:30 PM Marion Board of Health - March 16, 2021
9:00 PM Marion Open Space Acquisition Commission - April 1, 2021
9:38 PM Marion Water & Sewer Commissioners - March 25, 2021
10:44 PM Marion Conservation Commission - March 24, 2021

ROCHESTER GOVERNMENT
Comcast Channel 95
Verizon Channel 40
Daily Schedule

7:00 AM Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals - March 25, 2021
7:41 AM ORR School Committee - March 24, 2021
9:20 AM Marion-Rochester Regional Health - March 16, 2021
9:30 AM Rochester Planning Board - March 23, 2021
10:00 AM Rochester Board of Selectman - March 22, 2021
10:30 AM Rochester School Committee - March 4, 2021
11:32 AM Rochester Conservation Commission - March 16, 2021
1:00 PM Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals - March 25, 2021
1:41 PM ORR School Committee - March 24, 2021
3:20 PM Marion-Rochester Regional Health - March 16, 2021
3:30 PM Rochester Planning Board - March 23, 2021
4:00 PM Rochester Board of Selectman - March 22, 2021
4:30 PM Rochester School Committee - March 4, 2021
5:32 PM Rochester Conservation Commission - March 16, 2021
7:00 PM Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals - March 25, 2021
7:41 PM ORR School Committee - March 24, 2021
9:20 PM Marion-Rochester Regional Health - March 16, 2021
9:30 PM Rochester Planning Board - March 23, 2021
10:00 PM Rochester Board of Selectman - March 22, 2021
10:30 PM Rochester School Committee - March 4, 2021
11:32 PM Rochester Conservation Commission - March 16, 2021

EDUCATION CHANNEL
Comcast Channel 97
Verizon Channel 37
Daily Schedule Channel the Week of April 8, 2021
7:00 AM Bulldog Weekly
7:30 AM Marion COA Meditation - March 30, 2021
8:30 AM Mattapoisett Library Storytime with Miss Chris
9:00 AM Rochester COA Senior Scams
9:32 AM ORRHS Boys Varsity Soccer vs Seekonk - March 25, 2021
11:00 AM Sippican Historical Society Oral History - George Pina
12:00 PM Bulldog Weekly
12:30 PM Artist Interview - Thomas H. Lynch
1:00 PM Sundog Organ Trio at The Marion Art Center
2:13 PM ORRHS Varsity Volleyball vs Case - March 30, 2021
3:01 PM ORRHS Varsity Football vs Dighton Rehoboth - March 27, 2021
5:00 PM Sippican Historical Society Oral History - Rick DaSilva
6:00 PM Bulldog Weekly
6:30 PM Sippican Historical Society Oral History - George Pina
7:30 PM Sundog Organ Trio at The Marion Art Center
8:44 PM Mattapoisett Library - Life of Peregrine White
10:00 PM ORRHS Varsity Football vs Dighton Rehoboth - March 27, 2021

MATTAPOISETT GOVERNMENT
Comcast Channel 95
Verizon Channel 38

for Friday, April 9, as a Week 4 matchup, but the Diman football program is not yet cleared for action.

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To the Editor and Residents of Costal Mattapoisett,

The Wanderer's cover story last week left me shaking in my boots. Take another look at the photo of flood markers on the telephone pole.

Then read the accompanying story again - and

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Tri-town Police Logs

MARION
Log highlights March 28-April 3
- Vine St – Suspicious MV
- Washburn Park Rd – EMS/medical
- Front St – Larceny/past
- Wareham Rd – Suspicious MV
- Village Dr – EMS/medical
- Mill St – Road hazard
- Sparrow Ln – Animal complaint
- Mill St – MV collision
- Rezendes Ter – 911 abandoned
- Piney Point Rd – EMS/medical
- Wareham Rd – Animal complaint
- Lewis St – Officer wanted
- Delano Rd - Fraud
- Delano Rd – EMS/medical
- Front St – Noise complaint
- Delano Rd – Juvenile offense
- Front St - Fire
- Front St – Suspicious MV
- Mill St – MV collision
- Wareham Rd – Suspicious vessel
- Mill St – Disorderly person
- Spring St – Vandalism/past
- Delano Rd – Health/welfare
- Rezendes Ter – Disturbance/family
- Point Rd – EMS/medical
- West Dr – Animal complaint
- Front St - Disturbance
- Front St – Noise complaint
- Point Rd – Animal complaint

MATTAPOISETT
Log highlights March 28-April 3
- Fairhaven Rd – Animal control
- Aucoot Rd – Suspicious MV
- Long Plain Rd – Assist citizen
- Baptist St – 911 call
- Marion Rd – MV violations
- Marion Rd – Officer wanted
- Church St – Medical assist
- Marina Dr – MV lockout
- County Rd – Property lost
- Meadowbrook Ln – Missing person
- Church St – Follow up investigation
- Tower Rd – MV violations
- Church St - Vandalism
- Noyes Ave – Ambulance request
- Island View Ave – Health/welfare
- Fairhaven Rd – MV crash
- Church St – Follow up investigation
- County Rd – Peace officer
- Gary Dr – General service
- County Rd – 911 call
- Harbor HB Rd – Suspicious persons
- Ocean View Ave – Animal control
- Lebaron Way – Ambulance request
- North St – MV crash
- Aucoot Rd – MV violations
- Noyes Ave – Health/welfare
- Church St – Animal control
- Prospect Rd – Animal control
- Angelica Ave – Officer wanted

ROCHESTER
Log highlights March 28-April 3
- Snipatuit Rd – Assist other agency
- County Rd – Erratic MV
- Cranberry Hwy – 911 call
- Marys Pond Rd - Medical
- North Ave – MV stop/warning
- Marys Pond Rd - Medical
- New Bedford Rd – General services
- Neck Rd – Outside investigation
- Braley Hill Rd – MV stop/arrest
- Martin Cir - Medical
- New Bedford Rd - Investigation
- Paulines Way – Suspicious activity
- Vaughn Hill Rd – MV stop/arrest
- Burgess Ave – Animal control
- Marion Rd – 911 call
- Dexter Ln – Follow up
- Sparrow Ln – Well being check
- New Bedford Rd – Suspicious activity
- Cranberry Hwy – MV stop/arrest
- Neck Rd – MV stop/citation
- Marys Pond Rd – 911 call
- North Ave – MV stop/arrest
- Cranberry Hwy – 911 call
- Mattapoisett Rd – 911 call
- Hathaway Pond Cir - Medical
- Hartley Rd - Medical
- Hartley Rd – Suspicious activity
- Jasons Ln - Medical
- County Rd – Suspicious activity

For a full PDF of the three towns' police logs from the past week, including arrest reports, visit www.Wanderer.com.

Regional Lunch Menus

COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM
Monday, April 12: Chicken la' orange, rice Florentine, green beans, oatmeal roll, peaches
Tuesday, April 13: Shepherd's pie, mixed vegetables, whole wheat roll, pears
Wednesday, April 14: Roast pork w/apple gravy, scalloped potatoes, brussel sprouts, honey wheat bread, cinnamon applesauce
Thursday, April 15: Sweet & sour meatballs, fluffy rice, winter blend, scali bread, butterscotch pudding, diet: diet pudding
Friday, April 16: Stuffed shells w/tomato basil sauce, Italian blend veg, snowflake roll, mixed fruit

CENTER SCHOOL
Monday, April 12: Hamburger/cheeseburger, lettuce & tomato, oven roasted French fries, roasted chickpeas, 1% milk, assorted fresh fruit (OR) PB&J fun lunch
Tuesday, April 13: Sloppy Joe sandwich, onion rings, fresh veggie sticks, snack size Cape Cod chips, 1% milk, assorted fresh fruit (OR) PB&J fun lunch
Wednesday, April 14: Bulldog breakfast sandwich, potato puffs, fresh veggie sticks, 1% milk, assorted fresh fruit (OR) PB&J fun lunch
Thursday, April 15: Spaghetti with meat sauce, whole grain dinner roll, savory green beans, 1% milk, assorted fresh fruit (OR) PB&J fun lunch
Friday, April 16: Warm pizza sticks, marinara sauce, garden salad, 1% milk, assorted fresh fruit (OR) PB&J fun lunch

OLD HAMMONDTOWN
Monday, April 12: Hamburger/cheeseburger, lettuce & tomato, oven roasted French fries, roasted chickpeas, 1% milk, assorted fresh fruit (OR) PB&J fun lunch
Tuesday, April 13: Sloppy Joe sandwich, onion rings, fresh veggie sticks, snack size Cape Cod chips, 1% milk, assorted fresh fruit (OR) PB&J fun lunch
Wednesday, April 14: Bulldog breakfast sandwich, potato puffs, fresh veggie sticks, 1% milk, assorted fresh fruit (OR) PB&J fun lunch
Thursday, April 15: Spaghetti with meat sauce, whole grain dinner roll, savory green beans, 1% milk, assorted fresh fruit (OR) PB&J fun lunch
Friday, April 16: Warm pizza sticks, marinara sauce, garden salad, 1% milk, assorted fresh fruit (OR) PB&J fun lunch

OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JUNIOR & SENIOR HIGH
Monday, April 12: Chef's Choice curbside pick-up
Tuesday, April 13: Hamburger/cheeseburger, lettuce & tomato, oven roasted French fries, roasted chickpeas, 1% milk, assorted fresh fruit (OR) Grab N Go Italian sub
Wednesday, April 14: Hamburger/cheeseburger, lettuce & tomato, oven roasted French fries, roasted chickpeas, 1% milk, assorted fresh fruit (OR) Grab N Go Italian sub
Thursday, April 15: Creamy mac & cheese, side whole grain chicken nuggets, savory green beans, 1% milk, assorted fresh fruit (OR) Grab N Go Italian sub
Friday, April 16: Creamy mac & cheese, side whole grain chicken nuggets, savory green beans, 1% milk, assorted fresh fruit (OR) Grab N Go Italian sub

ROCHESTER MEMORIAL
Monday, April 12: Hamburger/cheeseburger, lettuce & tomato, oven roasted French fries, roasted chickpeas, 1% milk, assorted fresh fruit (OR) PB&J fun lunch
Tuesday, April 13: Sloppy Joe sandwich, onion rings, fresh veggie sticks, snack size Cape Cod chips, 1% milk, assorted fresh fruit (OR) PB&J fun lunch
Wednesday, April 14: Bulldog breakfast sandwich, potato puffs, fresh veggie sticks, 1% milk, assorted fresh fruit (OR) PB&J fun lunch
Thursday, April 15: Spaghetti with meat sauce, whole grain dinner roll, savory green beans, 1% milk, assorted fresh fruit (OR) PB&J fun lunch
Friday, April 16: Warm pizza sticks, marinara sauce, garden salad, 1% milk, assorted fresh fruit (OR) PB&J fun lunch

SIPPICAN SCHOOL
Monday, April 12: Hamburger/cheeseburger, lettuce & tomato, oven roasted French fries, roasted chickpeas, 1% milk, assorted fresh fruit (OR) PB&J fun lunch
Tuesday, April 13: Sloppy Joe sandwich, onion rings, fresh veggie sticks, snack size Cape Cod chips, 1% milk, assorted fresh fruit (OR) PB&J fun lunch
Wednesday, April 14: Bulldog breakfast sandwich, potato puffs, fresh veggie sticks, 1% milk, assorted fresh fruit (OR) PB&J fun lunch
Thursday, April 15: Spaghetti with meat sauce, whole grain dinner roll, savory green beans, 1% milk, assorted fresh fruit (OR) PB&J fun lunch
Friday, April 16: Warm pizza sticks, marinara sauce, garden salad, 1% milk, assorted fresh fruit (OR) PB&J fun lunch

OLD COLONY REGIONAL
Monday, April 12: General TSO's chicken bowl & Dinner Roll
Tuesday, April 13: Mozzarella sticks, fries, marinara sauce & bread
Wednesday, April 14: In school students will have opportunity to bring home a PB&J or pizza meal
Thursday, April 15: Meatball sub, green beans & fries
Friday, April 16: Fully remote

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again - and again, just like I did.

On my Easter Sunday walk, I noticed the same markers at Harbor Beach. I am 5'10" and my eyes faced the 1991 Hurricane Bob band. I raised my right arm as high as I could and didn't get within 3 feet of the 1938 Hurricane band.

My home on Aucoot Road is about 18 feet above the high-tide mark, according to engineers. The stone wall at the rear of my home is much lower.

Read the third paragraph of the story again relative to MHHW (Mean Higher High Water). Then read paragraphs 4 and 5.

If you live in the Mattapoisett Neck area you are probably getting a message, especially if you've attended the first two meetings.

If you live elsewhere along the coast, read the last paragraph and insist that the meeting on May 19 be in-person, in a place large enough to hold a crowd. And above all, insist the study participants let the public know how rising tide and more fierce hurricanes are likely to affect property owners elsewhere along Mattapoisett's coastline, including Harbor Beach, Crescent Beach, the village waterfront, and so on.

At age 89, I should stop the shaking. But I worry about those who will be affected over the next 50 years.

I plead with those involved with the study to give us the whole story at the next meeting.

Brad Hathaway, Mattapoisett

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Sunday 12noon-9pm

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Fri.-Sat. 11am-10pm
Sunday 12noon-9:30pm

OBITUARIES

Karen M. (Goulart) Canastra, 57, of Fairhaven died March 29, 2021 of ovarian cancer at home surrounded by her loving family.

She was the beloved wife of Kyle T. Canastra, with whom she shared 25 years of marriage.

Born in New Bedford, daughter of Manuel A. and Dolores (Fernandes) Goulart, she was raised in Acushnet before moving to Fairhaven. She was a graduate of Fairhaven High School and Johnson & Wales University.

She was an owner of Century House in Acushnet, known for her warm presence and devotion to the family business. She left a legacy for truly caring for every customer that walked through the doors.

Karen had a passion for spending time with her family and was always so proud of her two daughters. She loved to attend all their school and sporting events and would always talk about their accomplishments. Her kindness and compassion will forever be remembered by those who crossed her path. An infectious smile that would light up a room and a hug that would warm your heart, Karen was a very humble soul that made sure she put others needs in front of her own.

She will be forever loved and missed by so many people.

Survivors include her husband; her parents; 2 daughters, Taylor Marie Canastra of Westbrook, ME and Sierra Rose Canastra of Fairhaven; 2 brothers, Michael Goulart of Fairhaven and Jeffrey Goulart and his wife Debbie of Marion; a sister, Sherri Goulart of Dartmouth; a niece, Kaleigh Goulart; 2 nephews, Chandler Goulart and Maxwell Kane; and several cousins.

She was the aunt of the late Cameron Goulart.

Her Funeral Mass was celebrated on Tuesday, April 6th in Holy Name of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Church. Burial followed in the Riverside Cemetery. Visiting hours were held on Monday, April 5th in the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home For Funerals, 50 County Rd., Mattapoisett. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Cameron's Kids, c/o 71 Bullivant Farm Road, Marion, MA 02738 or to BIDMC (in memo section of check, please note gift for Dr. Meagan Shea's Research Fund) mailed to Catherine Stephens, BIDMC, Office of Development, (OV) 330 Brookline Ave., Boston, MA 02215. For guestbook, visit www.saundersdwyer.com.

Charles J. Vosseler, 83, of Mattapoisett passed away Thursday April 1, 2021 at home after a long illness.

Born in Dartmouth, the son of the late Charles and Helen M. (Simpson) Vosseler, he lived in Mattapoisett for most of his life. He was a graduate of New Bedford Vocational High School, Class of 1956.

Charles was formerly employed as a carpenter for Fisher and Rocha for over 25 years.

In his younger years, he was an avid car enthusiast who enjoyed hunting, fishing, and being with his friends at "the barn." His favorite hobby was woodworking, specializing in building birdhouses.

He is survived by his daughter, Diane R. Correia and her significant other John Duffy of Carver; his longtime companion and caregiver, Judy Anthony of Mattapoisett; his sister, Margaret Jicha of Bremen, Maine; his granddaughter, Stephanie R. Correia and her significant other David Kirk; and two nephews, John and Robert Jicha.

His funeral services will be private. Arrangements are by the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals, 50 County Road, Mattapoisett. In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 309 Waverley Oaks Road, Waltham, MA 02452. For online condolence book, please visit www.saundersdwyer.com.

Patrick S. O'Neale, 62, of Fairhaven, passed away Friday, April 2, 2021 at home surrounded by his loving family following a long battle with pancreatic cancer. He was the husband of Dolores E. (Sylvia) O'Neale with whom he shared 40 years of marriage.

Born in Washington, D.C., son of the late Hugh W. and Germaine M. (Lesieur) O'Neale, he had resided in Fairhaven for the past 34 years.

He was a graduate of Old Rochester Regional High School and received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Civil Engineering from Southeastern Massachusetts University in 1981.

Mr. O'Neale was the Senior Vice President at Tata & Howard, Inc.

Patrick was a very active member of several water works organizations in Massachusetts and was well regarded among his peers. He served on Mass Water Works Associations' Board of Directors, having been elected in 2015 and advancing to President in 2019; he was currently serving as Past President for the association. Patrick was also involved on the Program Committee for Mass Water Works, serving as co-chair for a number of years. He was chair of the Vendor Relations Committee for Plymouth County Waterworks Association and was a frequent presenter on water-related topics at association meetings. He was a recipient of Plymouth County Waterworks Associations' David L. Regan Associate Member Award in 2006 for his outstanding service to the water works profession. Professionally, he was instrumental in helping the Town of Falmouth with their Long Pond Water Treatment Plant, which went online in 2017 and is capable of producing 8.4 million gallons per day. For the work done by Patrick and

Birds: The Epic Adventures of a Massachusetts Bird Photographer

Wednesday, **April 21**, from 6:30 pm–7:30 pm, the Mattapoisett Free Public Library, in conjunction with the Fairhaven Nasketucket Bird Club, will be hosting a remote Zoom presentation by photographer Peter Christoph, who will narrate a slideshow of his favorite bird photographs all taken right here in Massachusetts where he lives. His program is both entertaining and informative as he shares stories of his photographic adventures, the techniques he uses to capture his images, and reveals his favorite places to take photos of birds in their natural habitat. One attendee of Christoph's presentation, June Reams, described it as "fantastic; a delightful evening of wonderful photography of New England birds."

Immediately after his talk, Christoph will have copies of his signed companion book, *Birds*, available at a discount for purchase by attendees.

Registration is required for you to receive the Zoom meeting information. Zoom information will be sent to your email the day before the presentation. You can register by sending an email to rsmith@sailsinc.org or by completing the registration form on our online calendar of events. Call the library at 508-758-4171 or email to rsmith@sailsinc.org if you have questions.

Mattapoisett Boy Scouts Troop 53

Mattapoisett Boy Scouts Troop 53 is looking for donations of the following materials for Care Packages for Mattapoisett seniors: facemasks, hand lotion, lip balm, toothbrushes, toothpaste, dental floss, combs, mouthwash, nail clippers, bar soap, shampoo, bed socks, glasses cleaning cloths, hand sanitizer (pocket size or bigger bottles), tissues (pocket size or small boxes), disinfectant cleaning wipes, large print puzzle books, notepads, stamps, and pens. All items must be unopened.

The Boy Scouts will be collecting materials on Sunday, **April 18**, at the Knights of Columbus Hall at 57 Fairhaven Road (Route 6) in Mattapoisett in the parking lot from 12:00 pm – 3:00 pm, rain or shine. Drop-offs will be contactless. For any questions, please call 508-245-2948.

OBITUARIES

the team at Tata & Howard, Inc. the plant was recognized with a 2018 Silver Engineering Excellence Award for engineering services by The American Council of Engineering Companies of Massachusetts (ACEC/MA). Patrick was also instrumental in the formation of the Mattapoisett River Valley Water District which includes water supply sources operated by the towns of Fairhaven, Marion and Mattapoisett, and also serves the Town of Rochester. Rather than constructing several treatment facilities for the eight wells, the towns teamed to construct a single advanced water treatment facility saving the towns approximately $5 million by building the plant jointly.

Known as Grandad, Patrick loved his family, especially his three grandsons who were the love of his life.

Surviving in addition to his wife are four children, Shannon Anderson and husband Christopher, Brittney O'Neale, Morgan O'Neale and Sean O'Neale; three grandsons, Gavin, Brody and Wyatt; his siblings, Donna Tipton and husband Dave, Hugh John O'Neale, Mary Roth and husband Mark, Kathy Church and husband Buddy, Daniel O'Neale and wife Sharon, Helen Norris and Rick O'Neale; and several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by a brother, William O'Neale.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Patrick's memory can be made to Water For People at www.waterforpeople.org.

Private services are in the care of Waring-Sullivan Home at Fairlawn, 180 Washington St., Fairhaven.

For online tributes, please visit: www.waring-sullivan.com

If you have a notice you would like to have included in the Obituaries section, please contact our office at: 508 758-9055, or by email at office@wanderer.com.

Manny Del Lima, Jr., 78, of Rochester, passed away unexpectedly at home on Thursday, April 1st, 2021.

Born in New Bedford, son of the late Manuel and Irene (Goulart) Del Lima, he lived in Mattapoisett most of his life before retiring to Rochester. He was the husband of Barbara Blanchard.

Manny was a classically trained, talented trumpet player. He played with many bands including the UMass Dartmouth Jazz Band, Bay State Band, John Solerno Band, and Blues Alley.

His favorite past time was working on his wooden boats and building a scale model of the Mayflower.

He received his Master's Degree in Engineering from Northeastern University and worked for Brewer Engineering in Marion, Instron Corporation in Canton, New Bedford Vocational High School, and UMass Dartmouth.

He leaves behind his loving wife Barbara and his children, Christine Kerans and her husband Martin of Stoneham, MA, and Steven Del Lima and his wife Jennifer of Levittown, NY; his siblings, Lenny Del Lima and Bernice DeChaves; his grandchildren, Owen Kerans and Hailey Del Lima; and many nieces and nephews.

His visitation was held Wednesday, April 7, with a service held after visitation at the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals, 50 County Road, Mattapoisett. For online guestbook please visit www.saundersdwyer.com

In lieu of flowers donations in his honor can be made to Office of Advancement Services, UMass Dartmouth, 285 Old Westport Road, Dartmouth, MA 02747.

Movie Review

Betrayal

By Rob Gonsalves
www.robsmovievault.com

Judas and the Black Messiah. **Starring Lakeith Stanfield and Daniel Kaluuya. Directed by Shaka King. Running time: 126 minutes. MPAA rating: R. Playing at select theaters and streaming on video on demand.**

Someone wanna explain to me how Shaka King didn't get an Oscar nomination for directing the Best Picture nominee *Judas and the Black Messiah*? King did get nods for producing and co-writing the film, but come on. The filmmaking here is fleet-footed, smooth, alive, and contains (courtesy of cinematographer Sean Bobbitt) the most colorful rainy scenes I've seen in a movie in years. Six black directors have been nominated for Best Director since 1991, and of those, two directed Best Picture — but the Director Oscar went to someone else. You can say people get way too serious about the Oscars and also say representation is important. You can respect other directors on the list this year and also say King was robbed.

Judas and the Black Messiah is a perhaps too-neat title for an engrossing real-life thriller about Fred Hampton (Daniel Kaluuya), leader of the Chicago chapter of the Black Panthers, and Bill O'Neal (Lakeith Stanfield), a car thief strong-armed by the FBI to infiltrate the Panthers and report his findings. Kaluuya puts some sand in his voice and barks out Hampton's angry revolutionary rhetoric, while Stanfield keeps his cool despite fed Mitchell (Jesse Plemons) affably breathing down O'Neal's neck for intel. We've seen a lot of undercover-cop films, and I thought Spike Lee's *BlacKkKlansman* might have put the subgenre to bed, but this film has a Shakespearean-tragedy tinge to it. The martyr doesn't even get to confront his betrayer, nor does the betrayer unburden himself of his guilt until far too late. O'Neal talked to interviewers for *Eyes on the Prize 2* about all of it twenty years later. The night the interview aired on PBS, O'Neal died under disputed circumstances thought by some, including the filmmakers here, to be suicide. He was only forty.

Then again, O'Neal was only seventeen when Mitchell offered him a way out of his charges. Hampton was 21 when he died (if he were with us today he would still only be 72). Many of the agitators for peace and equality in the '60s were young, but man, these folks were *young*. Kaluuya and Stanfield are each about a decade older than the men they're playing, and they look it, but it works for the movie — Hampton and O'Neal seem weighed down, prematurely aged, by their responsibilities. And their responsibilities are all tangled up with the racist world they've been in all their lives. Fred Hampton's rhetoric wasn't beautiful like Malcolm X's or darting and jabbing like Muhammad Ali's — it was more blunt-force, incantatory in its repetitions. Where he truly excelled was in getting opposed factions — Black street gangs, a redneck group — under the umbrella of his Rainbow Coalition. The FBI was having none of that, and they put a harder squeeze on O'Neal to clear a path to Hampton's assassination.

The movie comes in a little north of two hours but flies by. Shaka King sketches Hampton here and there, just enough to keep us invested in him as a person, not an icon. We get almost no background on either Hampton or O'Neal — they exist for us in the now, they define themselves by what they do or don't do. The movie obliquely prompts us to think about how circumstances have shaped us. Stanfield's O'Neal doesn't get any big dramatic moments, but we can see it's killing him inside. He and Hampton scarcely get any downtime for hanging out, becoming friends. In some ways, though, O'Neal redeems himself even during his imposture. He helps run things when Hampton is in jail, and he pitches in to rebuild the Panthers' office after the cops firebomb it. "We are what we pretend to be," wrote Kurt Vonnegut, "so we must be careful about what we pretend to be." That cuts both ways, though, and as O'Neal pretends to be someone helping his community, there he is, helping his community.

Thank you for your support.

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This program is supported in part by a grant from the Mattapoisett Local Cultural Council, a local agency supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council. To register or learn more, visit our website, mattapoisettlibrary.org, or call the library at 508-758-4171.

ORCTV Annual Meeting

Old Rochester Community TV will hold its annual meeting via Zoom at 5:00 pm on Thursday, **May 20**. The annual meeting will include the election of officers to the Old Rochester Community Television Board of Directors. The nominees for 2021 are: Marion Nominee – Phillip Sandborn, 2-year term; Rochester Nominee – Tom Bretto, 2-year term; Membership Seat – Elaine Botelho, 1-year term; and Mattapoisett Nominee – Chris Charyk. 2-year term.

Elizabeth Taber Library

Beginning **April 8**, the Elizabeth Taber Library will be open by appointment every Thursday. Book your timeslot for in-person browsing or computer use between 11:00 am –3:45 pm. Curbside pick-up is still available through the library, with new extended pick up hours on Tuesdays. Curbside pick-up is available Tuesday, 12:00 pm – 7:00 pm; Wednesday, 12:00 pm – 4:00 pm, and Saturday, 12:00 pm – 3:00 pm.

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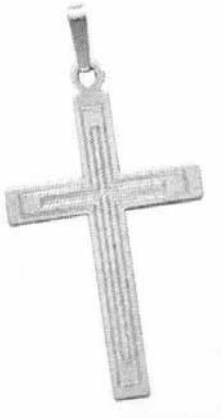

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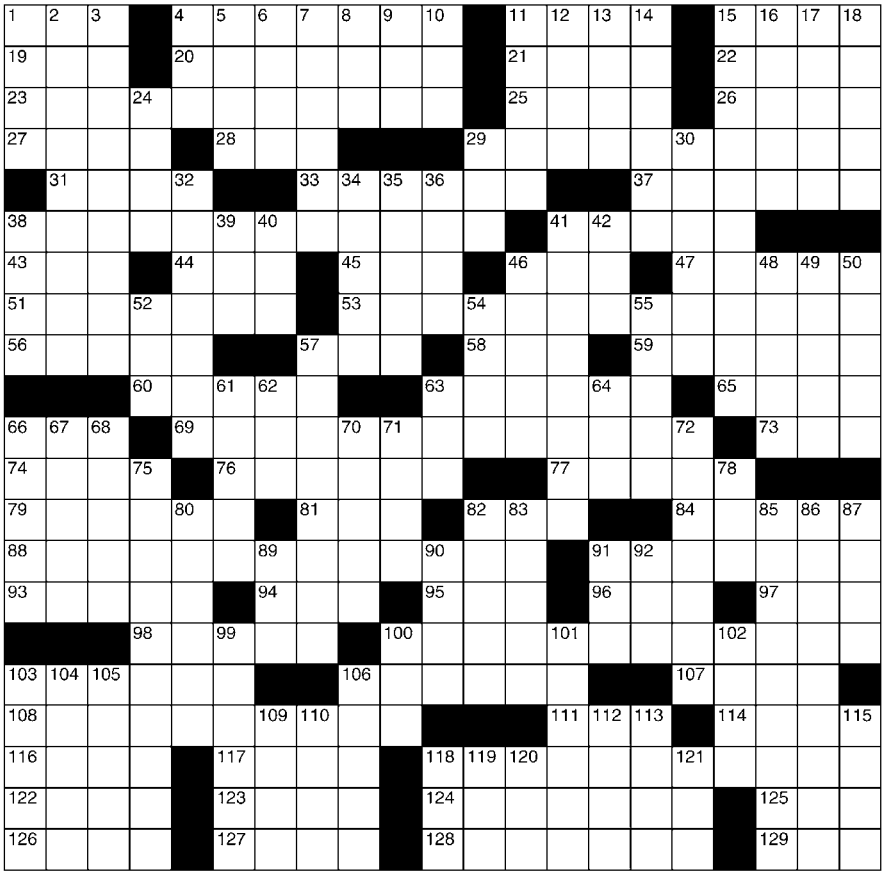
1 It may follow "Co."
4 Give a hug
11 Fave buds
15 Location
19 Sheep sound
20 Flan topping
21 Smell — (be suspicious)
22 — -pedi
23 Groups with queens and workers
25 Talk wildly
26 Lickety-split
27 — IRA
28 Ending for host
29 Nitric acid, old-style
31 Knife incision
33 Best Actor awards, e.g.
37 Blood vessel
38 Dairy Queen treat
41 Freshen up
43 Apple product
44 Tax-taking org.
45 Razor-billed seabird
46 Made a lap
47 Xenon and neon
51 Some nameplates
53 Certain recyclable
56 Syringe fluid
57 "Touched" actor Beatty
58 Suffix with Midwest
59 Like dweebs
60 Sleep lab study
63 Ocean route
65 Expectation
66 Airport uniform inits.
69 Peddle stuff on the street
73 The, in Cannes
74 Apple product
76 View lustfully
77 Really clean
79 Whole bunch
81 Patriotic ladies' gp.
82 "I told ya!"
84 Hoarse
88 Rival of Evander "The Real Deal" Holyfield
91 Petroleum distillate used as fuel
93 "Death Be Not Proud" poet
94 Pro vote
95 URL letters
96 Ocean east of N. Car.
97 Eternally, poetically
98 Make thrilled
100 Be really successful
103 — de corps
106 Spanish wife
107 Ozeki's sport
108 Tiny garden pest
111 Mothers
114 Witty writer Bombeck
116 Showoff's cry
117 Spanish coin
118 Basis of this puzzle's theme
122 Part of QED
123 Deli dish
124 Ouzo flavorer
125 Walk- — (small parts)
126 — terrier (dog breed)
127 Wallet bills
128 Items in the classifieds
129 Word that can follow the starts of nine answers in this puzzle to make the names of 118-Across

DOWN

1 Steel girder
2 Measurable in microns
3 Cow carrier on rails
4 With 24-Down, organic cotton garb, maybe
5 Drone, e.g.
6 Dudes
7 Demand from a kidnapper
8 Gallic friend
9 Fair grade
10 Golfer Ernie
11 Brand of root beer
12 German wife
13 — bean (risotto bit)
14 Tennis great Edberg
15 Mobile device worn on the wrist
16 Adhesive in an art class
17 Broadcasting
18 Buzzed
24 See 4-Down
29 "How — you?"
30 Salem's state
32 Victory
34 Suffix with land or moon
35 "How — you?"
36 "My Way" lyricist Paul
38 Wee devils
39 Prior to, to a bard
40 Pack animal
41 Material carried away in a deluge
42 End-of-list abbr.
46 Soda insert
48 Bar furniture
49 Flee to marry
50 Monica of the court
52 Sine — non
54 Perceives
55 Purchaser
57 Unaided vision, with "the"
61 Nita of silent films
62 Lamb's mom
63 Stage array
64 Curved bit
66 Unassertive
67 — Gyra (jazz group)
68 Hank of baseball
70 Speechify
71 — a soul (nobody)
72 Excess amount
75 Restaurant rendezvous
78 Crank's cry
80 2001 title role for Audrey Tautou
82 Guide for a DIYer
83 Nobel winner Sadat
85 Sauna alternative
86 Remarkable events
87 Lawn locale
89 Kit — bar
90 Graceful bird
91 Slangy refusal
92 From — B
99 Unmoving
100 Drone, e.g.
101 Most docile
102 Litigant
103 — Park, Colorado
104 Fire initiator
105 March 14, to math lovers
106 Stores safely
109 Pack animal
110 Gulf nation
112 Location
113 Storage site
115 Org.'s kin
118 Logger's tool
119 Spanish "a"
120 Dowel, e.g.
121 Figs. on a masthead



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SALOME'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Regarding your upcoming challenges, the Aries Lamb should very quickly size things up and allow you to make the best possible use of whatever resources you have on hand. Good luck.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You rarely blame others for missteps that worked against you. But this time you need to lay out all the facts and insist that everyone acknowledge his or her share of the mistakes. Then start again.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You might want to start making vacation plans. And don't be surprised by unexpected family demands. Maintain control. Be open to suggestions, but don't get bogged down by them.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Work with both your Moon Child and Crab aspects this week to keep both your creative and your practical sides balanced. Your intuition sharpens, giving you greater insight by the middle of the week.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) The Big Cat finally should have all the information needed to move on with a project. If not, maybe you'll want to give everything a new and more thorough check before trying to move on.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Too much emotional pain caused by someone you can't win over as a friend? Then stop trying to do so. You have other things you need to work on this week. Go to it, and good luck.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) It's a good time to reassess where and how your strengths can help you build, and where your weaknesses can hinder you. Remember to build on your strongest foundation.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) That personal matter that seemed so hard to deal with should be less confusing now. Don't rush. Let things happen easily, without the risk of creating even more puzzlement.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Change continues to be a strong factor in many important areas. Keep on top of them, and you won't have to worry about losing control. A personal situation takes on a new look.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A business offer sounds intriguing. But if you don't check it out thoroughly, you could have problems. Take a set of questions with you when you attend your next meeting.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Your self-confidence should be coming back. That's good news. But it might be a bit over the top right now, so best to let it settle down before you start making expensive decisions.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Your life, your decisions. Good enough. But be sure you have all the facts you need to put into the decision-maker mixing bowl and hope it will come out as it should.

BORN THIS WEEK: You find much of your creativity with new people who give you much to think about.

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Discover Vernal Pools with the MLT

Vernal pools are a vital breeding habitat for resident amphibians and invertebrates such as wood frogs, spotted and blue-spotted salamanders, and fairy shrimp. The MLT is once again offering an introduction to vernal pools and instructions on how to certify them through two field trips into the Old Aucoot District.

Because of COVID-19 precautions, the explorations will be divided into two groups of no more than 10 participants each. On Saturday, **April 17**, we'll assemble at 1:00 pm and 2:30 pm at the Holmes historic site on Angelica Avenue. We´ll proceed north through the woods into the protected lands of the Old Aucoot District. Together we´ll complete all of the field work

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TriTown Happenings

Mary-Ellen Livingstone shared these photos of the ospreys that returned to their nest on March 29.

Mattapoisett Congregational Church choir. Photos by Jennifer F. Shepley

These photos and more are available online at www.wanderer.com

necessary for the state certification of the pool through the Commonwealth's Natural Heritage & Endangered Species Program. This will be a wonderful opportunity for parents, grandparents, and children to learn together about the wetlands of Mattapoisett and their special characteristics.

The exploration is free and open to all, including residents of other towns. The Holmes historic site is located a short distance east of the corner of Prospect Road and Angelica Avenue. Because space is limited, we ask anyone who would like to participate to make a reservation at info@mattlandtrust.org. Please wear appropriate clothing, including rubber boots and masks. The exploration will take place rain or shine. For more information call 774-377-9191 or email info@mattlandtrust.org.

From the Files of the Rochester Historical Society

By Connie Eshbach

Like many parts of Massachusetts, Rochester has quite a few areas of second-growth woods. Wood lots from the heyday of sawmills (once there were 57 mills in town), abandoned pastures, cranberry bogs, and even former house lots have reforested over time. Hidden in these woods are echoes from the past. They may be lonely grave markers or lilac bushes near tumbled foundation stones.

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Across from the post office on New Bedford Road are the remains of a once-thriving Rochester business. In the 1940s, Gibb's Dairy had a dairy building for processing milk, as well as a loading dock on the righthand side of New Bedford Road as you head toward Rochester Center. When Paul M. Gibbs took

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TriTown Happenings

Plymouth County Commissioner Greg Hanley speaks about CARES Act funding to a gathering including fellow Commissioner Jared Valanzola, County Treasurer Tom O'Brien, County Register of Deeds John Buckley Jr., Esq., Marion Town Administrator Jay McGrail, Marion Finance Director Judy Mooney, and Selectmen Randy Parker, Norm Hills, and John Waterman. The group assembled on April 2 at the Elizabeth Taber statue in Bicentennial Park for the delivery of a $150,000 COVID-related reimbursement check. Photos by Mick Colageo

On Friday, April 2, Mattapoisett was presented its third CARES Act check of $181,856.09. The check was presented to Town Administrator Mike Lorenco and Town Accountant Heidi Chuckran by Plymouth County Treasurer Tom O'Brien and County Commissioner Jared Valanzola. Federal CARES Act funding reimburses municipalities for non-budgeted, pandemic-related expenses. Photo courtesy of Christine Richards

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over the business from his father, he decided to expand and modernize and built a new larger dairy across the street from the old one.

Today, both dairies are gone. The "new" dairy closed in the 1990s and the building was torn down to make way for the post office. Across the street in the trees are the remains of the loading dock (shown in the picture) and the foundation of the original Gibbs Dairy.

At one time, Rochester had quite a few dairies as did many other towns. In the 1950s, a lot of played-out farmland was repurposed as dairy farms following the example of Raymond White of White's Dairy. By the 1990s when Gibbs Dairy closed, the price of milk had fallen and the dairy business was no longer profitable for many, so a lot of dairy farms became a thing of the past. The Curator's Show at the Rochester Historical Museum, which will be opening in the coming weeks, includes some interesting items from past dairy businesses in town.

Rochester Senior Center

The Rochester Council on Aging Board Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, **April 14**, at 9:00 am. This meeting will be held at the Rochester Town Hall. The Friends of the Rochester Senior Center meeting will follow at 10:30, meeting place still to be determined.

The Rochester Senior Center will be closed on Monday, **April 19**, in observance of Patriot's Day.

On Monday, **April 26**, at noon, Outreach Coordinator Lorraine Thompson and her volunteer team will prepare a special luncheon of stuffed chicken breast, salad, and vegetable. Please call the Senior Center to sign up in advance. There is a requested donation of $5. This meal will be available for curbside pick-up at the Senior Center.

The fitness room at the Rochester Senior Center is now open. There is a limit of two people at a time (plus the Fitness Room attendant). Equipment will be wiped down with sanitizer after each use. Please contact Andrea at the Senior Center for details. If you would like to sign up to use the Fitness Room, there is a form to complete. The fee to use the fitness room is $10 per month.

The Rochester Senior Center is in the process of re-opening. Going forward, the Senior Center will be sanitized nightly by a professional sanitation company. The Rochester Senior Center is committed to providing services to local seniors in a clean and safe environment. All COVID-19 guidelines will be adhered to in an effort to realize this goal. Program participants must have a COVID-19 waiver on file, wear a face mask that covers both mouth and nose, and maintain social distancing when interacting with people from other households. If you are not feeling well, please stay home. The Senior Center staff do not mind if you must cancel at the last minute due to illness.

The Rochester Senior Center has medical equipment for lend. This equipment is generously

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Application for On Premises, All Alcoholic Beverages License
Stone Rooster Hospitality, dba The Stone Rooster
27 Wareham Street, Marion, MA

The Marion Board of Selectmen, acting as local licensing authority, will hold a remote public hearing on Tuesday, April 20, 2021 at 4:30 pm via Zoom on the application of Stone Rooster Hospitality for an on premises license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages.

Please contact Debra Paiva at 508-748-3520 or dpaiva@marionma.gov to request access to the public hearing.
Randy L. Parker, Chairman 4/1, 4/8

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Mattapoisett Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing on the following Applications and Petitions. ALL meetings held in the Mattapoisett Town Hall Conference room; 16 Main Street (unless otherwise noted) New format of meetings; start time is 6:00 pm.
NOTE REMOTE MEETING ON 04/15/2021 WILL START AT 6:00 pm**
Case #1466: Petition of: Marc G.J. & Carol D C Lareau, 44 Prospect Road, Mattapoisett, MA 02739; RE:44 Prospect Road. The applicant is seeking a Variance under sections 6.5 as provided by Section 7.2.3 of the Zoning By-Laws to request permission to build a 20x40 In-Ground Pool. The property is further described as Plot 6, Lot 95 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held VIA Zoom on Wednesday, April 15, 2021.

Due to restrictions on public gatherings because of COVID-19, this meeting will be held remotely, and members of the public will NOT be allowed to physically attend. To access the meeting please use the following log in information.
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Sincerely,
Susan Akin, Chairperson
Mary Anne Brogan, Kenneth Pacheco, Colby Rottler, Anthony Tranfaglia 4/1, 4/8

TOWN OF MARION
PLANNING BOARD
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Marion Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, April 20, 2021 at 7:05 pm via *Zoom to consider the application of Todd Zell, c/o N. Douglas Schneider & Associates, 1 County Road, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 for review of a Definitive Plan for a Subdivision The property is located on County Road and identified on Marion Assessors Map 21 Lot 19.
To be held remotely via Zoom:
Meeting ID: 896 0256 1443; Password: 541140
Join the Online Meeting at:
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89602561443 or
Phone #: 1-646-558-8656

The requested waivers for the Definitive Subdivision are as follows:
Waivers Requested and Allowed per Chapter 300 – Subdivision Regulations
Section 300-3.3 Definitive Plan
D. Development Impact Statement (DIS)
(1) Thru (5) in its entirety (< 20units)
Section 300-4.1. Streets
B. Min. Horizontal centerline radius
100 ft. provided vs. 200 ft. required
Section 300-4.2. Miscellaneous standards
C. 108 ft. Pavement Diameter & 120 ft. Property line diameter required Hammerhead Layout provided
O. C-Line of paved surface shall be coincidental with the C-Line of the right of way
C-Line of paved surface at entrance will be off-center
Q. 4" thick pavement required
Processed gravel surface provided
Section 300-4.6. Stormwater management
D. Design criteria
(2) Location:
(b) [2] Setback from a street line, < 50 ft. 4 ft. + from the proposed street sideline
(6) Above ground basins
(d) Basin sideslopes will be 2':1' with erosion control fabric vs. 3':1'requirment
Section 300-5.5. Curbing:
A. Granite curbing required under following conditions
(1) Grades over 5%
(2) All headers for catch basins
(3) All street intersections on the curve
No granite curbing provided
Section 300-5.6. Drainage facilities:
F. Granite curbing inlets required at all catch basins
No granite curbing provided
William W, Saltonstall Chairman
Andrew M. Daniel, Vice-Chairman 4/1, 4/8

TOWN OF ROCHESTER
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING #1162

Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Laurie Whitney-Lawrence for property located at 0 Mendell Road, identified on Assessor's Map 28, Lot 24A who is seeking a Special Permit to host private functions such as weddings, receptions, showers, memorial services, etc. on the property under Chapter 20.40, Section F.6. The public hearing will be held on Thursday, April 22nd, 2021 beginning at 7:00 pm on Zoom.

To join the zoom meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83038558307
Meeting ID: 830 3855 8307
One tap mobile: (646) 876-9923
David Arancio, Chairman 4/1, 4/8

TOWN OF ROCHESTER
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING #1163

Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Carl & Jennifer Achorn for property located at 0 Snipatuit Road, identified on Assessor's Map 35, Lot 42F, who is seeking a Variance for relief under Chapter 20.40, Section D.1, for the construction of single-family dwelling on an undersized lot (1.35 acres). The public hearing will be held on Thursday, April 22, 2021 at 7:00 pm on Zoom.

To join the zoom meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83038558307
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David Arancio, Chairman 4/1, 4/1

TOWN OF ROCHESTER
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

On April 20, 2021 at 6:10 pm the Board of Selectmen, acting as the licensing authority, will conduct a public hearing for the issuance of a license to store LP-Gas in an amount in excess of 2,000 gallons pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 148, Section 13 and 527 CMR 1.12.8.50.4 on real property located at 15 Briarwood Lane, Rochester, Massachusetts, Rochester Assessors Map 26, Lot 18C. 4/8

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, April 26, 2021 at 6:30 pm in the Town Hall (Via Zoom **) on a Notice of Intent submitted by Jessie Davidson, 22 Pine Island Road, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. The proposed project is a request for an Amended Order of Conditions DEP File number SE44-1287 for a 10'x10' greenhouse and associated utilities, garden folly, selective pruning, dead tree removal, and landscaping in the 100' buffer zone to a BVM. The project is located at 22 Pine Island Road, and is further identified as Lot 79 on Assessor Map 5.
**Contact Elizabeth Leidhold, Agent of the Conservation Commission by email at ELeidhold@mattapoisett.net for the Zoom Meeting Information. 4/8

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

An Open Hearing of the Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will be held on Monday, April 26, 2021 at 6:30 pm regarding a Request for a Determination of Applicability submitted by Goodspeed, LLC.

This Open Meeting is being conducted remotely consistent with Governor Baker's Executive Order of March 12, 2020, due to the current State of Emergency in the Commonwealth due to the outbreak of COVID-19.

The Applicant proposes to construct a utility shed.

The work will be performed within the 100 ft. Buffer Zone of a Coastal Bank and within Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage, Flood Zone VE (E1.19).

The project is located at 1 Brandt Island Shores which is further identified as Lot #33 on Mattapoisett Assessors Map #14.

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provided by donations. At the moment, our storage capacity for medical equipment is maximized.

For additional information, please call the Rochester Senior Center at 508-763-8723, visit the Facebook page, or view the newsletter online at ourseniorcenter.com.

Marion Town House

The Marion Town House is once again opened to the public. Hours of operation are 8:00 am – 4:30 pm, Monday –Thursday, and 8:00 am – 3:30pm on Friday.

Masks are required to enter the building, and contact tracing information will be collected. Masks will be available in each department if a member of the public is in need of one. Members of the public, as well as employees, must remain 6 feet apart both inside and outside of the workplace. Social distancing will be enforced. The Reopening Standards can be viewed on the website.

The two entrances on the library side of the building (on the ramp) will be open, as will the back entrance on the Main Street side of the building (staircase near the parking lot). The front two entrances remain closed due to the work being conducted at the front of the building.

Please note the new location of two offices: The Harbormaster/Conservation Commission Office and the Assessors' Office.

The Harbormaster/Conservation Commission Office is now located in the former Town Administrator's Office. The best entrance to use is the second door located on the ramp on the library side of the building. All stickers, shellfish licenses, and guest passes will now be issued at this new location. The Harbormaster/Conservation Commission Office will be closed for lunch daily 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm. Sticker requests, Conservation Commission submissions, and harbor invoice payments can continue to be done by mail.

The Assessors' Office is now located in the rear of the building (in the former Harbormaster/Conservation Commission Office). The nearest entrance is the staircase on the Main Street side of the building next to the parking lot. The ramp entrance can also be used, and the Assessors' Office can be accessed by going through the Conference Room.

Any questions, please contact the appropriate department. Thank you for your patience during these unprecedented times.

MAC Calls for Art Auction Contributions

Save the date for the Marion Art Center's Online Art Auction, **July 28-31**. In the meantime, the MAC is collecting art donations in preparation for this premier fundraising event. Do you have a piece of art or special item you no longer use or have room for? The MAC's auction committee is now accepting paintings, prints, art objects, unique or handmade items, ceramic, glass, wood, jewelry, antiques, and more. If you have anything you'd like to contribute, please contact the MAC by calling 508-748-1266 or by emailing info@marionartcenter.org with "Art Auction" in the subject line. The MAC can arrange a no-contact drop-off, or donations can be picked up from your location. Please note, the MAC is only accepting items in good condition.

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The Marion Natural History Museum will be starting their spring afterschool nature programs on the following dates;

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May 12: Amazing Arthropods, presented by Blake Dinius of Plymouth County Extension. Insects and spiders make up about 77 percent of all animal species on the planet. Let's take a closer look into our own backyards. We'll find a mysterious world just waiting to be discovered. Want to learn more about insects and

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TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
PLANNING BOARD
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Mattapoisett Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing pursuant to M.G.L. Ch. 40A Section 5 on Monday May 3, 2021 at 7:00 pm. remotely only via Zoom, on the following proposed amendment to the Mattapoisett Zoning Bylaw:

Amendment of Mattapoisett Zoning Bylaws, to include Definitions associated with Regulation of Flood Hazard Areas, a copy of which is on file with the Mattapoisett Town Clerk's Office, Mattapoisett Town Hall, 16 Main Street, Mattapoisett, MA 02739, Monday through Friday 8:00 am to 4:00 pm, and at the Planning Board Office, the Board of Selectmen's Office and may be viewed at the Town Webpage by going to: www.mattapoisett.net.

The Public Hearing will be held on Zoom and you can join the meeting by going to:
https://zoom.us/j/99291207909?pwd=OUFRL2RBZmdBMWswczNocDdjRlA5dz09
Meeting ID: 992 9120 7909
Passcode: 147195
Call In: 1 646 876 9923
Date of Zoom Meeting/Public hearing: May 3rd, 2021 at 7pm.
Point of Contact:
Michael Gagne
(508) 758-4100 ext. 215
Mattapoisett Planning Board
Thomas M. Tucker, Chairman 4/8, 4/15

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
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The Mattapoisett Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing pursuant to M.G.L. Ch. 40A Section 5 on Monday May 3, 2021 at 7:00 pm remotely only via Zoom, on the following proposed amendment to the Mattapoisett Zoning Bylaw:

Amendment of Article 8, Regulation of Flood Hazard Areas. Article 8 as it presently exists in the Mattapoisett Zoning Bylaws will be deleted in its entirety and replaced with a new Article 8 a copy of which is on file with the Mattapoisett Town Clerk's Office, Mattapoisett Town Hall, 16 Main Street, Mattapoisett, MA 02739, Monday through Friday 8:00 am to 4:00 pm, and at the Planning Board Office, the Board of Selectmen's Office and may be viewed at the Town Web page by going to: www.mattapoisett.net.

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TOWN OF ROCHESTER
CONSERVATION COMMISSION & TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE
NOTICE OF REMOTE PUBLIC MEETING

An Open Meeting of the Rochester Conservation Commission will be held on Tuesday, April 20, 2021 at 7:00 pm regarding a Request for Determination of Applicability filed by TEC Associates, 46 Sawyer Street, South Portland, ME 04106, for property located at Massachusetts Coastal Railroad. This Open Hearing is being conducted remotely consistent with Governor Baker's Executive Order of March 12, 2020, due to the current State of Emergency in the Commonwealth due to the outbreak of COVID-19.

The applicant seeks to confirm the extent of wetland boundaries along the Massachusetts Coastal Right-of-Way in Rochester from Middleborough to Wareham. The property is designated as 0 County Road, Rochester Assessors Map 17, Lot 7.

The property owner of record is Massachusetts Coastal Railroad, 12 Harding Street, Suite 201, Lakeville, MA 02347. The applicant's representative is Thomas Lewis of TEC Associates, 46 Sawyer Street, South Portland, ME 04106.

This meeting is being held under the Massachusetts Wetland Protection Act, MGL Ch. 131, Section 40 and the Town of Rochester Wetland Protection By-Law.
Join Zoom Meeting
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Or Call: 1 646 876 9923
Michael Conway, Chairman 4/8

TOWN OF ROCHESTER
CONSERVATION COMMISSION & TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE
NOTICE OF REMOTE PUBLIC MEETING

An Open Meeting of the Rochester Conservation Commission will be held on Tuesday, April 20, 2021 at 7:00 pm regarding a Notice of Intent Filing by Bendrix Bailey, 34 Gerrish Road, Rochester, MA 02770. This Open Hearing is being conducted remotely consistent with Governor Baker's Executive Order of March 12, 2020, due to the current State of Emergency in the Commonwealth due to the outbreak of COVID-19.

The applicant seeks approval to construct a 700-foot long roadway to access a single-family house lot. Proposed work within the 100 Foot Buffer Zone to a bordering vegetated wetland consists of site clearing, construction of a 20' wide 700-foot long recycled asphalt roadway, site grading and construction of a water quality basin. The property is designated as 0 Gerrish Road, Rochester Assessors Map 43A, Lot 29F.

The property owner of record is Edgewater Bog Realty Trust, 34 Gerrish Road, Rochester, MA 02770. The applicant's representative is Brian Grady of G.A.F. Engineering, Inc., 266 Main Street, Wareham, MA 02571.

This meeting is being held under the Massachusetts Wetland Protection Act, MGL Ch. 131, Section 40 and the Town of Rochester Wetland Protection By-Law.
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Michael Conway, Chairman 4/8

TOWN OF MARION
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CASE #783

The Marion Zoning Board of Appeals will hold an online public hearing at 6:30 pm on Thursday, April 22, 2021 on the application of The Eight Kabeyun Road Nominee Realty Trust and David Davignon for a Special Permit under section 230-6.1A and 230-6.1C of the zoning by-law to allow the construction of a single family dwelling to replace an existing non-conforming single-family dwelling.

The property, located at 8 Kabeyun Road, is further identified on Assessors' Plan 19 as Lot 80.
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The rest of our upcoming afterschool programs are available at the museum's website, www.marionmuseum.org. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, these programs are limited in size and masks and social distancing will be required. Please register early to reserve a spot.

Rabies Clinic

A rabies clinic for cats and dogs will be held on Sunday, **April 18** from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm at the Mattapoisett Fire Station, which is located at 26 County Road. The fee for the vaccination is $15. Cats must be in carriers and dogs must be leashed. Dog licensing for Mattapoisett residents will be offered. The fees are $12 for intact animals and $9 for those that have been altered. This clinic is open to all regardless of residency. This clinic is sponsored by Mattapoisett Animal Hospital, the Mattapoisett Fire Department, Board of Health, and the Natural Resource Department.

Marion's Annual Scout-led Town Clean-Up is Back

We missed you over this last year, and we are excited to bring Marion back a social-distancing version of our annual community event, Earth Day Trash Bash, for all ages. Streets will be cleaned, and closets cleared as the Marion Cub Scouts Pack 32 and Marion Boy Scouts Troop 32 join forces with GiftstoGive and the Marion Department of Public Works for a spring cleaning. Please join us when we rally at Washburn Park on Saturday, **April 10**, from 8:00 am – 12:00 pm. (Rain date is April 11 at the same time) Participants will be given trash bags, recycling bags, gloves, and be provided with a yellow vest. Assignments will be handed out and participants will clear the trash and other debris left in winter's wake and COVID-19's clutches.

There will be a collection of bottles and cans to support the Marion Cub Scouts and the proceeds will support the Cub Scouts of Pack 32.

Marion Cub and Boy Scouts are also excited to offer the chance for children from grades K-5 to meet our Cub Scouts, as well as young adults from grade 6 to age 18 to meet the Boy Scouts, and see what scouting is all about.

Bring your organization, co-worker, friends, and family to start this spring off right. Litter, beware! Bring a mask and a great attitude. We cannot wait to see our community getting Marion ready for the summer.

Marion Annual Town Meeting

The Marion Annual Town Meeting will be held on Monday, **May 10**, at Sippican School beginning at 6:45 pm. Due to the continued COVID-19 social distancing requirements and recommendations, we will be asking that anyone wishing to attend the meeting contact the Town Clerk's Office to make a reservation. You may do this by email (lmagauran@marionma.gov) or phone call 508-748-3502.

The current plan is to have the main auditorium for the Board of Selectmen, town administrator, finance director, town clerk, and anyone who is vaccinated, as the chairs will be placed 3 feet apart. For people who are NOT vaccinated, or don't feel comfortable being that close together, the Library, Band Room, and Cafeteria will be available with chairs placed 6 feet apart for social distancing.

Please let us know how many will be attending in your party and which room you would prefer. We ask that you leave an email or phone number in case we need to contact you.

Marion Art Center

The Marion Art Center has awarded prizes to four students in the current "High School Student Art Show." The exhibition committee based its decisions on the following: skill and technique, overall presentation, creative use of medium, written artist statement, and how closely the work aligned with the show's prospectus, "Exploring life during and after COVID: What Comes Next?"

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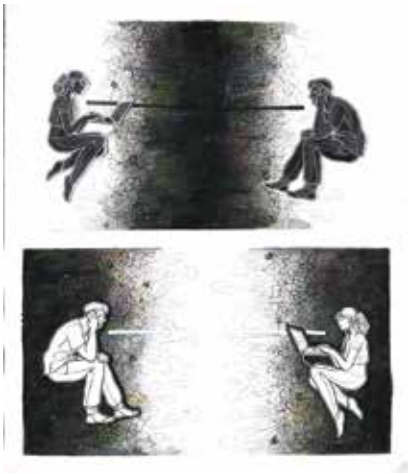

The second-place prize went to **Christopher Knight**, a senior at ORR, for his pencil/color pencil drawing, "Explosive Expression." Knight writes, "I feel that this piece represents not only the dream of a post-pandemic life, but also the chaos, uncertainty, and

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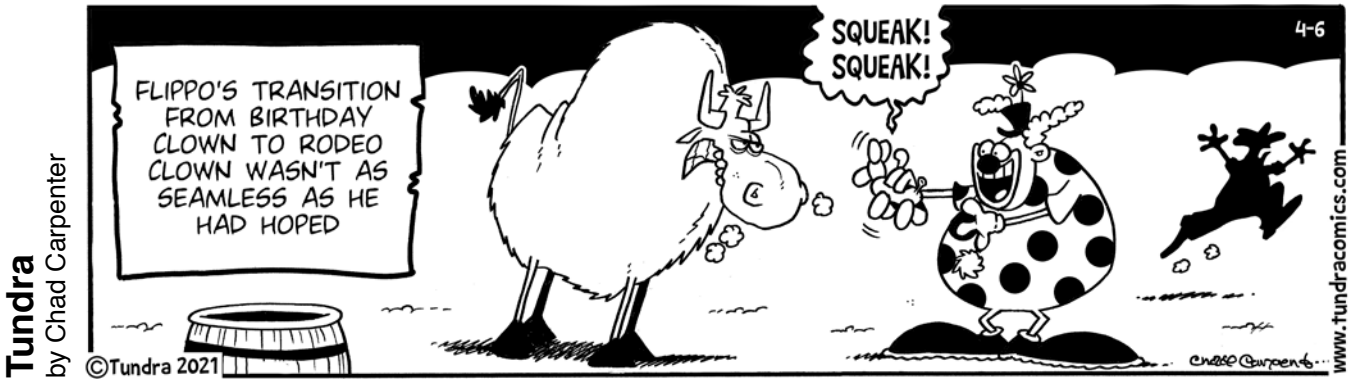
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Third place was awarded to ORR student **Autumn Tilley** for her digital drawing titled, "Traversing the Static." Tilley writes, "This drawing shows someone walking on a log over an abyss of confusion and disorder. They are on the edge of sanity trying to keep balance as they make their way across the void to a better future."

Finally, **Will Stark** of ORR received the Purchase Prize award for his piece titled, "Rainbow," a traditional half hull wood carving.

Stark writes, "This depiction of the legendary J-class racing yacht … is carved to scale using measurements transferred from blueprints, then cut, scraped, and sanded down to final dimension." This skillfully crafted wooden wall piece will be featured in the Marion Art Center's Online Art Auction. Bidding for all items in the auction begins on **July 28**.

You can see all the student works in person in the MAC galleries through **April 15** or view the works online at marionartcenter.org/on-exhibit.

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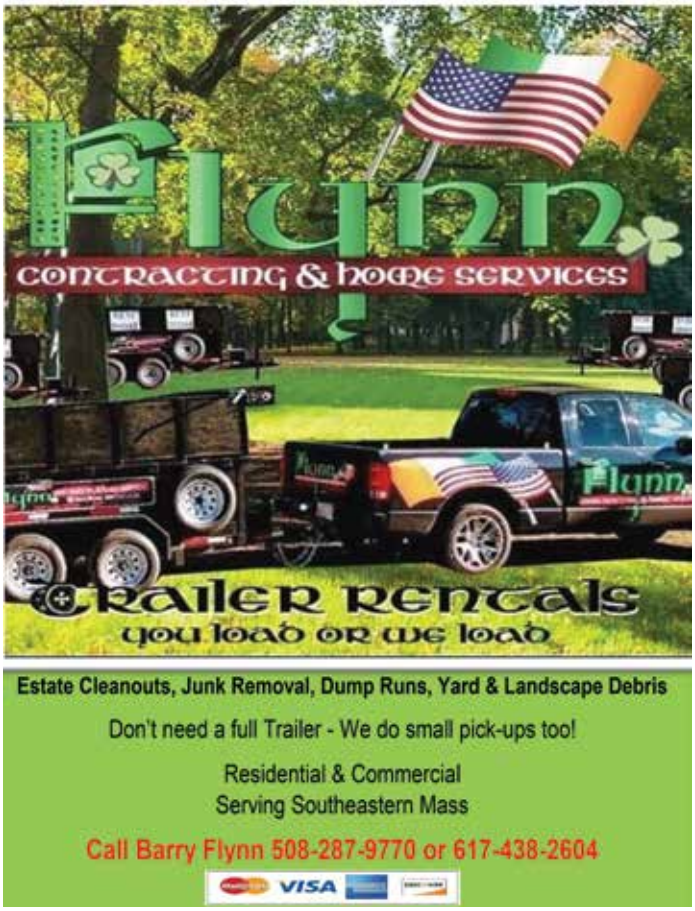

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pompoms. In this simple but cheerful project, you'll learn to make large decorative tissue paper pompoms by going to a great recent database we have called Creativebug. We provide all the necessary supplies, including a transcription of the instructions. Paper pompoms bring a colorful and textured floral touch to any celebration, especially weddings and parties, or just hang them in your house or patio to remind you spring is coming!

Go to mattapoisettlibrary.org, click on eContent, and then choose Creativebug. Create an account with your Mattapoisett Library barcode. You can then access the instructions by searching for "tissue paper pompoms" or going to www.creativebug.com/classseries/single/make-tissue-paper-pompoms.

Instructor Courtney demonstrates how to create a gorgeous, oversized pompom from tissue paper, and also gives ideas for customizing color, shape, and size. Kits are available starting April 1 until they are gone. Then check out all the other great crafts available on the site!

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Buzzards Bay Watershed Ride

The Buzzards Bay Watershed Ride provides one of the most scenic coastal cycling courses in all of New England, and it returns for its 15th year on Sunday, **October 3**. Cyclists of all ages and abilities can sign up now to bike 35, 75, or 100 miles at the Buzzards Bay Watershed Ride by visiting www.savebuzzardsbay.org/ride.

The Watershed Ride is a fun community event that supports a great cause: clean water in Buzzards Bay. More than 300 cyclists participate in the Watershed Ride each year, pedaling through 11 coastal communities and passing more than 3,300 acres of conservation land protected by the Buzzards Bay Coalition and other conservation organizations.

"The ride is the highlight of the fall because it brings together so many people who are excited to be outdoors enjoying the beauty of our Buzzards Bay watershed region, and it celebrates the resources we are working to protect for the future," said Mark Rasmussen, president of the Coalition. "Last year's ride was a great success, despite the changes we made to adapt to the pandemic. We're looking forward to an even better event this year."

In 2021, the Coalition plans to return to its traditional 100-mile route. Starting at Sakonnet Point, it travels past coastal farms and villages, picking up the 75-mile riders at Horseneck Beach State Reservation in Westport, and the 35-mile riders at idyllic East Over Farm in Rochester. All three route options finish at a waterfront celebration in Woods Hole on Cape Cod. With a fun food truck lunch stop, water and snack stations every 20 miles, ace bike mechanics on the route, and shuttles for both people and bikes, cyclists are well cared for and supported. Details on the finish line festivities will be determined closer to the date of the event.

Marion resident Daniel J. Cooney plans to be part of the ride, along with other members of the cycling team that he led last year. "Team Naughty by Nature will be back and better and stronger than ever for this year's Buzzards Bay Watershed Ride," he said. "We came for the incredible ride and volunteers and are staying for the cause of a swimmable, sustainable bay. We can't wait to (lovingly) trash talk the strong, generous, and capable teams that will ride along with us in October. Game on!"

Last year, riders like Cooney collectively raised more than $200,000 to support the Coalition. Each rider raises a minimum of $300, and prizes go to riders and teams that raise the highest totals. Many riders participate as members of a team. The teams are organized by friends, such as the "Naughty X Nature" team; community organizations, such as the "Bourne Rail Trail

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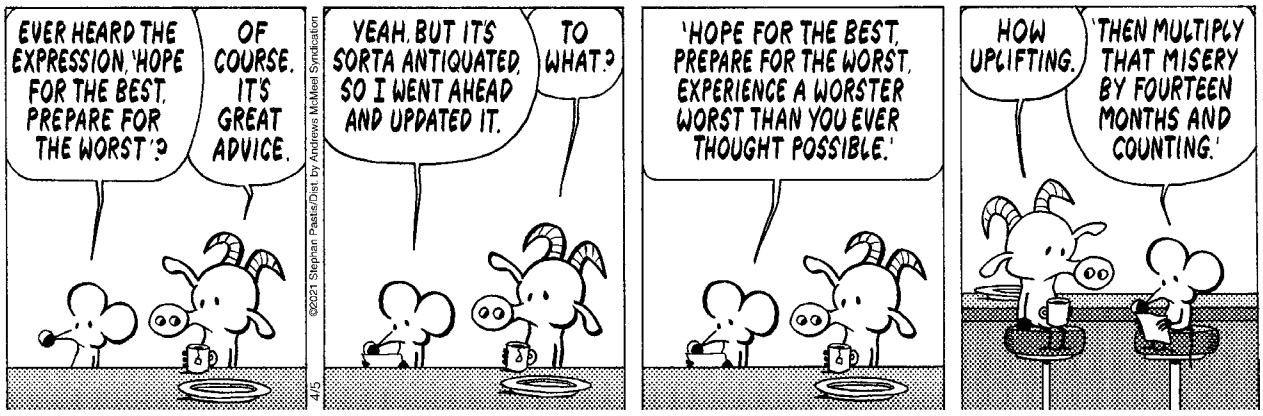

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The South Coast Chamber Music Series (SCCMS) presents "Doubles and Triples," on **April 10**, virtually. Get ready for a few fastballs and a pair of homeruns!

Due to overwhelming demand following their recent Holiday Pops appearance, NBSO Music Director Yaniv Dinur joins SCCMS Artistic Director Janice Weber for two keyboard classics, Schubert's ineffable F Minor Fantasy, and the goofy, groovy Gouvy Sonata in C Major. Maestro Dinur then returns alone to the piano bench for the brooding and majestic Brahms Trio No. 3 in C Minor with NBSO Concertmaster Jesse Holstein, violin, and NBSO Principal cello Leo Eguchi.

The concert release date is Saturday, April 10, 4:00 pm, and ticket purchasers can watch the concert any time (and as many times as) they like for 30 days. Tickets are $20 per household and available at www.nbsymphony.org/chamber-series-2020-2021/. All ticketed patrons will receive an email on the day of the concert containing instructions and a private link for access on YouTube.

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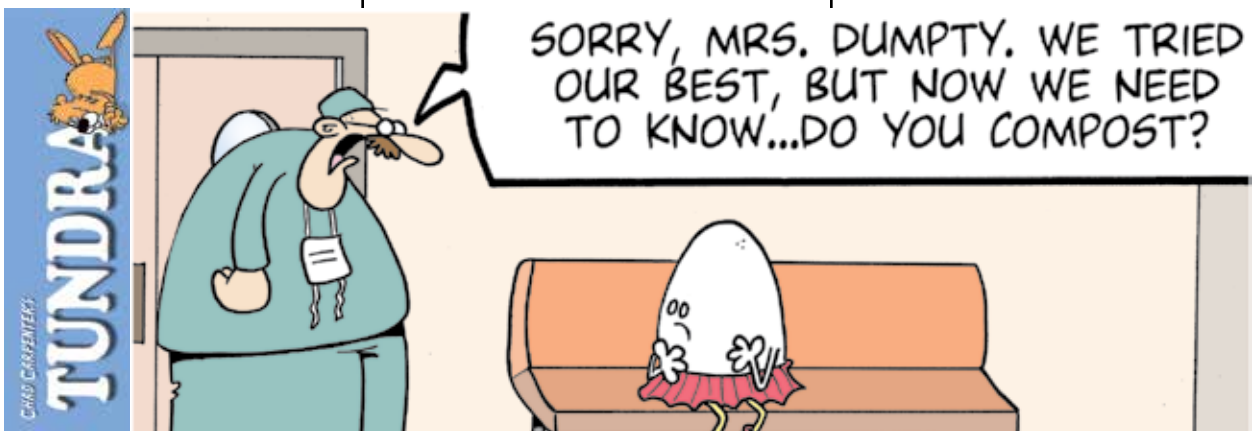

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The New Bedford Symphony Orchestra (NBSO) presented over 130 virtual and in-person concerts and programs between March 20, 2020 and March 21, 2021. These events included a wide range of musical and educational programming featuring the musicians and staff of the orchestra. Musical performances varied widely, including musicians livestreaming from their homes, masked cellists playing in local parks, outdoor concerts at senior housing facilities, and a string quartet performing a drive-in concert at the New Bedford ferry terminal parking lot. In addition, the orchestra presented several online performances recorded on the stage of the Zeiterion Performing Arts Center. All told, the NBSO presented 40 online educational programs, 34 outdoor pop-up concerts, 19 livestream performances, 18 music performance videos, 14 online music talks, four online symphony concerts, three online chamber music concerts, and one drive-in concert.

According to NBSO President and CEO Dave Prentiss, "When Massachusetts Governor Charlie Baker declared a state of emergency due to the pandemic last March, traditional symphonic concerts were suddenly no longer viable. Although stunned, we strongly felt the need to do whatever we could to bring music, with its joy and connection, to the community as quickly as we could. Our first livestream performance, Fiddle Time, took place a year ago on March 20. Based on the positive impact of the concert in such a time of confusion and anxiety, we knew we had to keep making music no matter what the challenges were. Our musicians and staff really rose to the occasion."

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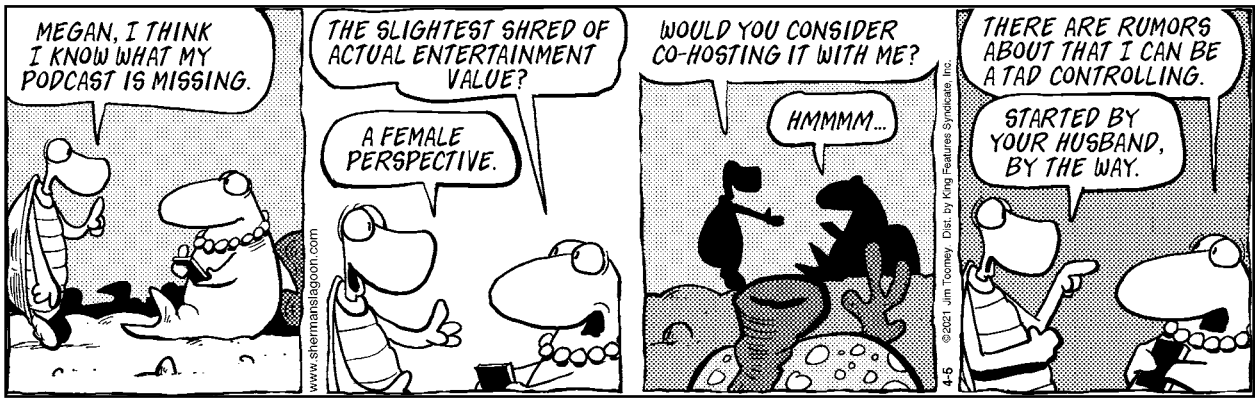
SHERMAN'S LAGOON
by J.P. Toomey



NBSO Education Director Terry Wolkowicz also began creating online music programs at no charge for schools and families. The NBSO then converted its Learning in Concert school program to an online format. This year's program, Bird Flight Patterns and Music, reached over 100 schools in 32 states, and was also supported by dozens of Audubon Society chapters, which provided it to even more schools in their communities.

The MAC Presents Eight SouthCoast Spring Arts Events

The Marion Art Center joins more than two dozen local cultural organizations to launch a celebration of the arts across the South Coast region in May 2021. SouthCoast Spring Arts is a 10-day festival celebrating the arts in our communities by connecting innovative, creative, and affordable art and cultural events in communities across the region, from Fall River to Wareham. The inspiration for this undertaking was to continue the spirit of ArtWeek MA, a statewide program of the Boch Center, which is evaluating when their programming will resume in light of the COVID-19 crisis. SCSA events will take place **from May 7 – May 16**, with an emphasis on virtual, hybrid, or outdoor in-person events, in response to the state's current safety guidelines.

The MAC joins this effort with eight new cultural events in theater, live music, and visual arts. In keeping with the ArtWeek mission, all Spring Arts events at the MAC are offered at low cost or for free. On Friday, **May 7**, from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm, join a virtual gallery tour of the MAC's new contemporary printmaking exhibit, followed by a conversation with the MAC's ED and Gallerist/ Art Dealer Cade Tompkins. On Saturday, **May 8**, from 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm, join fiber artist Kristina Goransson for a felting workshop where you can learn how to make unique three-dimensional forms with wool. On **May 8** from 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm, enjoy a live outdoor concert at the Bandstand at Island Wharf in Marion where the MonteiroBots will perform their special blend of jazz-funk for a socially-distanced crowd. On Thursday, **May 13**, from 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm, attend an outdoor staged reading at the bandstand of LZ Bravo: A Vietnam Tour of Duty, an original, one-act drama conceived by John Heavey, local actor and drama director at Tabor Academy. On Friday, **May 14**, from 11:00 am – 12:00 pm, we'll host a virtual workshop, "Taking Better Photos with Your Smartphone" with artist Deb Ehrens. Deb will teach you how to tell a story with your photos while making the most of a free photo editing app call Snapseed. On Saturday, **May 15**, from 3:00 pm – 6:00 pm, you'll paint your own sunrise painting while tasting local wines in the "Paint and Sip" workshop with artist Barbara Healy. Don't miss the final MAC Spring Arts event on Sunday, **May 16**, from 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm, which will be a special encore virtual concert of the Tri-County Symphonic Band's performance of Cape Cod composer Michael Donovan's "Postcards from Buzzards Bay." The concert, originally recorded in 2019, will be accompanied by beautiful images of Buzzards Bay. You'll see both vintage postcards and original fine art while listening to this celebration of the body of water that shapes the lives of all who live and work in the region. Enjoy a live Q&A session following the concert, and witness interviews with multiple composers. Additionally, the MAC will host a special performance by the Toe Jam Puppet Band for kindergarten, first, and second-graders at Sippican School in Marion.

Art lovers of all ages are invited to ignite their creative spirit and celebrate SouthCoast Spring Arts. To register for Marion Art Center events, head to the MAC's website at marionartcenter.org. Find out more by emailing info@marionartcenter.org. Discover more events all throughout the local region or join a virtual event from anywhere by visiting southcoastspringarts.org. Regional SCSA events will be added through early April.

Annual Census and Dog License Reminder

The annual census forms for the Town of Mattapoisett were mailed out in January. If you have not returned your form yet, please do so as soon as possible. Failure to respond to the census may cause you to be made an inactive voter. Please note that the annual town census is separate from the federal census, which you may have completed recently.

Included with the census form was a dog licensing reminder. If you have not licensed your dog for 2021, please take care of that soon. A late fee of $10 each will start on **June 1**. Payments may be made online through the Town website, by mail, through the drop box at the entrance to Town Hall, or in person. For any questions regarding the census or dog licensing, please call 508-758-4100 x2.

Real Estate Transactions

See past listing on our website: www.wanderer.com

Buyer(s)	Seller(s)	Address	City	Date	Price
Seahorse Realty Trust Broholm, Anne (trustee)	Preserve At Bay Club LLC	24 Split Rock Ln	Mattapoisett	03/18/2021	690,800.31
Dasilva, Guilherme Jose	Nicolosi, David Nicolosi, David M	0 Marion Rd	Mattapoisett	03/23/2021	15,000.00
Degroot, Matthew W Brasington, Justin R	Keenan, Jon	14 Aucoot Ave	Marion	03/23/2021	425,000.00

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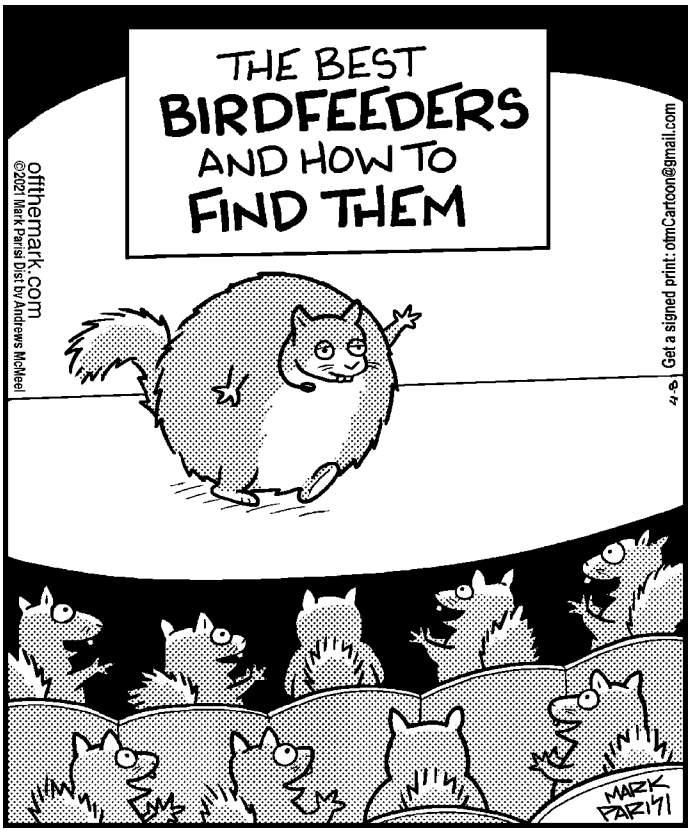

Local Tides

Day	Date	High a.m.	High p.m.	Low a.m.	Low p.m.
Thursday	April 8	6:25	6:46	12:27	12:49
Friday	April 9	7:12	7:31	1:02	1:11
Saturday	April 10	7:53	8:11	1:33	1:32
Sunday	April 11	8:32	8:49	2:06	1:59
Monday	April 12	9:08	9:24	2:41	2:31
Tuesday	April 13	9:44	9:57	3:17	3:06
Wednesday	April 14	10:20	10:30	3:53	3:41
Thursday	April 15	10:57	11:04	4:28	4:17
Friday	April 16	11:37	11:41	5:03	4:53
Saturday	April 17		12:20	5:39	5:31
Sunday	April 18	12:25	1:08	6:21	6:16
Monday	April 19	1:15	1:58	7:17	7:14
Tuesday	April 20	2:09	2:52	8:41	8:28
Wednesday	April 21	3:07	3:51	10:01	9:47
Thursday	April 22	4:11	4:53	10:53	10:56
Friday	April 23	5:16	5:51	11:34	11:53
Saturday	April 24	6:15	6:44		12:14
Sunday	April 25	7:07	7:34	12:45	12:55

Phases of the Moon		
	New Moon	April 12th
	First Quarter	April 20th
	Full Moon	April 27th
	Last Quarter	May 3rd

I Found the Aardvark!

Each week, hidden somewhere in the pages of *The Wanderer* is a tiny drawing of an aardvark. The little guy you are looking for looks exactly like the one pictured above (but don't put down this page as your answer, there's another one hidden somewhere in this issue).

Once you find the aardvark you can submit your answer online and if you are right you will get Aardvark Points! You can then use these points to get cool Aardvark Prizes!

To enter visit: www.wanderer.com and Click on ***I Found the Aardvark***

In the April 1, 2021 edition the Aardvark was on page 21!

PUZZLE ANSWERS

CROSSWORD SOLUTION

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SCRAMBLERS

solution

1. Layer 2. Siren;
3. Strap; 4. Cater

Today's Word

INSECTS

Sudoku Answer

9	3	2	6	7	1	4	8	5
8	6	5	4	3	9	2	7	1
1	7	4	8	5	2	3	9	6
3	2	9	1	6	7	5	4	8
5	1	7	3	4	8	6	2	9
4	8	6	2	9	5	7	1	3
2	5	8	7	1	3	9	6	4
6	9	1	5	2	4	8	3	7
7	4	3	9	8	6	1	5	2

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Friends' marketplace
at PLUMB CORNER

SALE EFFECTIVE:
Friday, April 9 – Thursday, April 15, 2021

565 Rounseville Road • Rochester, MA 02770
Phone: 508.763.5333
Open Daily: 7am–9pm

Quality Meats, Deli & Prepared Foods

Sugardale
16 oz. Pkg. Selected
Bacon
$4.99

Boar's Head - Pitcraft
Smoked Turkey ..... **$8.99 lb.**

Boar's Head
Vermont Cheddar Cheese ..... **$6.99 ea.**

Boar's Head
16 oz. Pkg.
Kielbasa
$5.99

Superior Quality Produce

Seedless
Red Grapes ..... **$1.99 lb.**

Fresh
Lemons or Limes ..... **69¢ ea.**

Perfect for Fruit Salad!
Mangos ..... **2/$3**

Hot House
Tomatoes ..... **$1.29 lb.**

Seedless
Cucumbers ..... **$1.29 ea.**

3 ct. Pkg.
Romaine Hearts **$2.99**

Grocery, Dairy, Frozen & Bakery

Poland Spring
Half Liter Bottles
24 Pack
Spring Water
$4.99

64 oz.
Food Club Cranberry Juice Cocktail ..... **2/$5**

5 oz. In Water or Oil
Bumble Bee Solid White Tuna ..... **2/$4**

13 oz. Original or Cinnamon
Quaker Life Cereal ..... **2/$6**

18 oz. Original
General Mills Cheerios Cereal **$3.99**

11.8-15.1 oz. Selected
Quaker Instant Oatmeal ..... **2/$6**

6.7 oz. 8 Pack Chocolate Chip or Variety
Quaker Chewy Granola Bars ..... **2/$6**

64 oz. Selected
Lactaid Lactose Free Milk ..... **2/$6**

19 oz. Half Loaf, Sliced French Parisian, Wheat, or Sourdough
Nashoba Brook Bakery Bread **$3.99**

Fresh Baked
22 oz. Pkg.
Apple Pie
$4.99

SEE OTHER SIDE FOR ADDITIONAL GREAT SAVINGS THIS WEEK!

Check our new selections of
Local & Craft Beer, Cider & Wine!

Safety Guidelines
- Face covering required at all times in the store
- Limit trips (buy more at once)
- Only 1 shopper per household when possible
- Keep a safe social distance

Friends Market at Plumb Corner was Voted #1 for Deli & Garden Center/ Nursery for 2020!

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BLOCKBUSTER SAVINGS!

Friends'
Premium Black Angus
Store Ground
85% Lean
Ground Chuck
$5.49 lb.

Friends'
Store Baked
Roast Beef
$12.99 lb.

Poland Spring
Half Liter Bottles
8 Pack Selected
Sparkling Water
2/$6
+ Dep.

Talenti
16 oz. Selected
Sorbetto or
Gelato
$3.99

Bud Light
12 oz. Cans/Bottles
30 Pack
$27.99
+ Dep.

Raeburn
750 ml California
Chardonnay
Wine
$14.99
Reg. Price: $16.99

Wine & Beer

All Beer is Plus Deposit

FANTASTIC SPRING WINES!

750 ml California
Cabernet Sauvignon
One Stone **$15.99**
Regular Price: $17.99

750 ml Washington, Pinot Noir
Whole Cluster **$22.99**

750 ml California
Fume Blanc
Ferrari-Carrano. **$14.99**

We have an awesome selection of fresh, cold Craft Beer from...
- Buzzard's Bay • Mayflower
- Bissell Brothers • Lawson's
- Lord Hobo • Wormtown • & many more!

12 oz. Cans/Bottles, 30 Pack
Coors Light. **$27.99**

12 oz. Selected, 12 Pack
Samuel Adams. **$17.99**

12 oz. Selected, 12 Pack
Sierra Nevada. **$19.40**

12 oz. Cans, 18 Pack
Pabst Blue Ribbon . . . **$17.99**

Cheese & Spreads

10 oz. Pkg.
Boar's Head
Hummus . . . . . **2/$6**

7 oz. Pkg.
Boar's Head
Irish Cheddar Cheese . **$6.99**

We also carry a great selection of
Ready to Drink Cocktails & Seltzers
- White Claw • Truly • Cutawater • Fisher's Island • High Noon • & more!

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